

**STONINGTON BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 20, 2006
7:00 PM AT THE STONINGTON POLICE HEADQUARTERS**

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Chairman Edward McCabe; Clerk James O'Boyle; Commissioner Stephen Bickford; Chief David Erskine and Captain Jerry Desmond

Absent: Commissioners Dennis Curran and John Holstein

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman McCabe at 7:00 PM.

2) Remarks of the Visitors

Liz Rasmussen, Planner

Carl Fusaro – Proposed Jameson Court, Pawcatuck, CT

Ms. Rasmussen stated that a traffic study for this project had been completed over the winter. Site plan was distributed to Commissioners, Chief Erskine and Captain Desmond. Chief Erskine stated that he had questions regarding how the proposed 4-way intersection would be square (where does Whistle Stop property end) as well as parking spaces on Jameson Court. Ms. Rasmussen stated that the proposal did not include any parking on Jameson Court. Chairman McCabe wanted to ensure that the Fire Department would have enough turning radius out of Jameson Court. Ms. Rasmussen stated that she will make plans to meet with the Fire Marshal, on site, to discuss this issue. She also stated that she will provide a site plan with the actual parking spaces noted to the Commissioners. A motion was made by James O'Boyle and seconded by Stephen Bickford to table this issue until the next meeting and it was voted.

3) Approval of Minutes for March 9, 2006 Meeting

A motion was made by James O'Boyle and seconded by Stephen Bickford to approve the minutes of the March meeting, as written, and it was voted.

4) Report of the Chief of Police

- Chief Erskine stated that the State will soon be working on the light at the intersection of Routes 1 and 234. A fax from the State DOT was distributed to the Commissioners. The State is proposing to move the existing ramp. Chief Erskine forwarded the plan to the Fire Department and to the First Selectman. The issue of the flashing light time was also discussed, as traffic has been having a difficult time pulling out at 6:30 AM (light is currently set to stop flashing at 7:00 AM).

- Joe Bragaw suggested to Chief Erskine that registered letters are sent by Mr. Fusaro, owner of the proposed Jameson Court site, to all neighbors surrounding the site, making them aware of the proposed 4-way stop.
- Letter from Atty. Londregan regarding the Groton/Stonington Mutual Police Assistance Agreement was distributed to the Commissioners and discussed.
- The TRIAD Kick-Off Event took place on April 18th at SHS regarding senior safety and scam prevention. Chief Erskine gave a speech and Lt. Stewart emceed the event. Atty. General Richard Blumenthal was in attendance and gave a speech, as well as other political figures.
- Officer Shannon Weber has resigned. Chief Erskine stated there has been a lot of interest in the open position.
- Wiring has been placed on the SPD roof to prevent seagulls from landing.
- Union negotiations are still underway.
- New dispatcher started 2 weeks ago.
- One police car has been eliminated from the FY 06-07 budget.
- Chief Conference is scheduled for 10/13-18 in Boston, MA.

A motion was made by James O'Boyle and seconded by Stephen Bickford to approve the Report of the Chief and it was voted.

5) Correspondence

- Computer Memory Sticks
- Officer Shannon Weber – Letter of Resignation
- Motor Vehicle Hearing Officer Resignation
- Memo re: Damage to Police Department Wall
- Letter re: Bid Award on Police Cruisers
- Decision on Training Expenses – 3 Officers
- Letter re: Prospect Place Project

6) Consent Agenda

- Letter re: Handicap Parking – Hatch Street – Mystic
- Letter re: Hunger Walk – Good Friday
- Letter re: Events – Mystic YMCA
- Letter re: Parking on Milan Terrace
- Letter re: Permit - Memorial Day Parade - Pawcatuck
- Letter re: May Day Bed Race 5/6/06

A motion was made by Stephen Bickford and seconded by James O'Boyle to approve the Consent Agenda and it was voted.

7) Traffic

- Application Special Use Permit – Pequot Golf Course
 - A motion to return the PZ 0616SUP Routing Sheet with no comments was made by James O'Boyle and seconded by Stephen Bickford and it was voted.

- Jameson Court Subdivision
- Letter re: Pawcatuck Little League – 5/30/06 – Opening Day
- Memo re: Pawcatuck Lions Club Road Race – 5/17/06
- Letter re: Angel Bike Ride – May 27 & 28, 2006

8) New Business

- Memo re: Rues & Regulations Request & Update – Chapters 10, 11 & 21
 - A motion was made by James O’Boyle and seconded by Stephen Bickford to delete 10023.87.
 - A motion was made by Stephen Bickford and seconded by James O’Boyle to delete Chapter 21.
- Chapter 6 – Updated change in Section I.
 - A motion was made by James O’Boyle and seconded by Stephen Bickford to approve this change and it was voted.
- Taste of CT – Mystic, CT
 - A motion was made by James O’Boyle and seconded by Stephen Bickford to approve this event and it was voted.
- Letter from Christopher Ward was distributed to the Commissioners

9) Old Business

None

10) Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners, a motion was made by James O’Boyle and seconded by Stephen Bickford to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leanne DiGangi
Secretary