

**STONINGTON BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2008
5:00 PM AT THE STONINGTON POLICE HEADQUARTERS**

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Vice-Chair Dennis Curran, Commissioners Dr. Stephen Coan,
John Holstein and Susette Tibus
Chief Darren Stewart and Captain Jerry Desmond
Absent: Chairman James O'Boyle

1) Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Vice-Chair Curran called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

2) Remarks of Visitors

Selectman Haberek on behalf of 3 Lester Avenue resident
Currently a blind spot in front of driveway at 3 Lester Avenue, requesting the
Chief and Commission review area.

3) Approval of Minutes for the August 14, 2008 Special Meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Holstein to approve the minutes from the
August 14, 2008 Special Meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Coan
and approved.

**4) Parking Problem – Downtown Pawcatuck: First Selectman Ed Haberek,
Planning Director Bill Hasse, Blunt White**

Presentation presented by Planning Director Bill Hasse & Blunt White.
Looking to provide stimulus for development, focusing on parking in downtown;
determined there is not enough parking spaces available. Consultant (Harrall-
Michalowski Associates) prepared analysis and provided recommendations on
changes that can be made, which will be presented to the Planning & Zoning
Commission. There are four parts to the study:

- 1) Pawcatuck Overlay District
- 2) Proposed Off-Street Parking Standards for the Pawcatuck
Parking Overlay District
- 3) Usage of Municipal Parking Lot
- 4) Parking Lot Striping and Connections

Requested the Chief prepare impact statement regarding item one, and that it
is put on the agenda of next months meeting for a vote.

5) Report of the Chief of Police

- a. Monthly Statistics Report presented.
- b. Alarm Report presented.
- c. One crossing guard hired.
- d. Officer Lopez & Dispatcher Fiore progressing as scheduled.
- e. Visited Pequotsepos site with Director of Public Works Joe Bragaw. There is a signage problem, Joe will have more retroreflective signs added to area as well as look at other ways to alleviate concerns; additional crosswalk will be added.
- f. Coogan Boulevard - signs lacking with amount of crosswalks there, existing signs will be replaced with ones with more retroreflectivity and one additional sign will be installed.
- g. DMHAS will be assisting with tobacco stings.
- h. Police Academy letter regarding new state law requiring police departments to have a "Notifications Policy". Chief will review and bring policy to Commission for vote at next meeting.
- i. DWI grant approved by Board of Finance.
- j. Captain Desmond organizing "Stonington Cup" the weekend of September 21st to benefit the CT Chapter FBI National Academy of Law Enforcement.
- k. Chief will review 3 Lester Avenue site and send letters to area residents regarding discussion at next meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tibus to accept the Report of the Chief. Motion seconded by Commissioner Coan and approved.

6) Correspondence

- a. Letter Re: CSO Markelov Resignation
- b. Letter Re: CSO DiPaola Resignation
- c. Letter Re: CSO Wagner Resignation
- d. Memo Re: Officer Hersh – End of Probation
- e. Memo Re: Officer Fauquet – End of Probation
- f. Letters Re: Thank You – Police Boats for Blessing of the Fleet
- g. Commissioner Coan thanked the Chief and the Department for the support provided during the transport of 4 Beluga whales and 7 dolphins to the Mystic Aquarium.

7) Consent Agenda

- a. Letter Re: Re-Arrest Warrants
- b. Memo Re: SCCOG Survey
- c. Article Re: "Police Turn to Secret Weapon: GPS Device"
- d. Letters Re: YMCA Halloween Parade
- e. Letter Re: Portuguese Holy Ghost Society Event
- f. Letter Re: Boiler Inspection
- g. Agreement Re: Mobile Intensive Care

A motion was made by Commissioner Coan and seconded by Commissioner Tibus to approve the Consent Agenda and it was voted.

8) Traffic

- a. Memo Re: Private Driveway Name Request
- b. Letter Re: Speeding on Wolfneck Road
- c. Letter Re: 4-Way Stop – Langworthy Avenue @ James Street
- d. Letter Re: Streetscape Improvements
- e. Letter Re: Handicap Parking Spot – St. Patrick's Church

9) Adjourn

A motion was made by Commissioner Coan to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner Tibus and approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:19PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Larese-Casanova
Secretary