

**STONINGTON BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 14, 2011
5:00 PM AT THE STONINGTON POLICE HEADQUARTERS**

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Chair Susette Tibus and Vice-Chair Scott Bates
Commissioners Dr. Stephen Coan, Mel Olsson and Frank Pucci
Chief Darren Stewart and Captain Jerry Desmond

1) Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Tibus called the meeting to order at 5:00PM.

2) Remarks of Visitors

Chris Kepple, Cottrell Brewing Co., Pawcatuck, CT

In attendance to answer any new questions regarding the approval of Cottrell Brewing Company's zoning amendment request, which permits the sale of beer following a brewery tour.

Captain Desmond questioned special events as noted in the application, and was concerned particularly with outdoor events due to the generic language of the application.

Mr. Kepple stated that any events will be under 50 people, and at this time there are no plans for outside events that include music.

Chair Tibus stated that if anything changes in comparison to original application, the Commission must be notified, and that an outside event will require an additional permit.

Chief Stewart stated he will send a letter to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

3) Traffic

- a. Letter Re: Angel Ride & Young Angel Ride
- b. E-Mails Re: Tour de Mystic/Garden Tour
- c. Letter & Town Property Use Application Re: Time Trials
- d. Letter Re: Leslie Buck Walk
- e. Memo Re: SCOGG Federal FY 2011 Local Road Accident Reduction Program
- f. Information Re: River Road Guardrails
- g. E-Mail Re: Pawcatuck Lion's Club Road Race
- h. Memo Re: Liberty Crossing
- i. E-Mail Re: Dead End Sign – Richmond Lane, Mystic
 - A motion was made by Vice-Chair Bates to approve installation of a "Dead End" sign on Richmond Lane in Mystic. Motion seconded by Commissioner Pucci and approved.
- j. Letter Re: Sidewalk Replacement – Church and Willow Street

4) Approval of Minutes for the March 10, 2011 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Pucci to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2011 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Coan and approved.

5) New Business

a. Cottrell Brewing Special Use Permit Application (see Remarks of Visitors)

6) Old Business

None

7) Report of the Chief of Police

a. Letter Re: Lieutenant Curioso Retirement

Chief Stewart notified the Commission that he received a letter of intent to retire from Lieutenant Curioso, noting retirement in June or July 2011, dependent upon retirement benefits.

- A motion was made by Vice-Chair Bates to accept the letter of intent to retire from Lieutenant Curioso. Motion seconded by Commissioner Coan and approved.

b. Monthly Report

c. Alarm Report

d. Memo Re: Outside Employment

- A motion was made by Vice-Chair Bates to approve the Chief's working agreement with Salve Regina University and the University of Connecticut, contingent upon change in status. Motion seconded by Commissioner Olsson and approved.

e. Mystic Irish Parade Review

Issue with consumption of alcohol in public, and establishments allowing patrons to leave premises with alcohol. Chief Stewart sent a letter to the proprietors of John's Café and Café Bravo. The Commission concurred with Chief Stewart that the parade committee will need to address the Commission before next year's parade.

f. Information Re: "Stonington Rocks"

Chair Tibus wants to ensure the cost of police salaries for the proposed events comes out of the Town budget, not the Stonington Police Department budget.

g. Budget Update

h. PSAP Assessment

i. Letter: State Victim's Advocate

j. Legion of Valor – Friday, May 20th

One hundred Medal of Honor winners will be in Mystic on May 20th; Holmes Street will be shut down for approximately a half-hour.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pucci to approve the Report of the Chief. Motion seconded by Vice-Chair Bates and approved.

8) Correspondence

None

9) Consent Agenda

- a. Letters Re: Westerly Memorial Day Parade
- b. Highway Use Permit: Memorial Day Parade
- c. Letters Re: Westerly Veterans Day Parade
- d. Highway Use Permit: Veterans Day Parade
- e. Letter & Memo Re: Thank You – Curran
- f. Letter & Memo Re: Pita Spot
- g. Letters Re: Mystic Art Festival
- h. Highway Use Permit: Mystic Art Festival
- i. Letters Re: YMCA Triathlon
- j. Highway Use Permit: YMCA Triathlon
- k. Letters Re: Time Trials
- l. Highway Use Permit: Time Trials
- m. Memo Re: Pita Spot
- n. Memos Re: Approval of Bid – Police Vehicle
- o. Letter Re: Duck Race
- p. Letter Re: Clyde's Cider Mill Parking
- q. Memo Re: Reimbursement Check
- r. E-Mail Re: Tractor Supply
- s. Letter Re: Mystic Seaport Antique Boat Rendezvous
- t. Memo Re: Request From VFW
- u. Memo Re: Job Well Done – Officer Peckham
- v. Memo Re: Job Well Done – Officer Capalbo
- w. Memo Re: Good Job – Officer Howard
- x. Memo Re: Good Job – Officer Holt
- y. Memo Re: Thank You – Officer Hersh
- z. Memo Re: Good Job – Officer Cullen
- aa. Letter Re: Bullet Proof Vest Donation
- bb. Article: "Family University Draws 150 To Stonington High School"
- cc. Information Re: Connecticut Technology Transfer
- dd. Letter Re: Mutual Aid Agreement – Westerly Police Department

A motion was made by Commissioner Pucci to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Commissioner Coan and approved.

10) Executive Session

At 5:37pm a motion was made by Vice-Chair Bates and seconded by Commissioner Pucci to enter into executive session for the purpose of interviewing Lieutenant and Sergeant Candidates. Invited into executive session were Chief Stewart and Captain Desmond.

The Commission came out of executive session at 10:25pm.

A motion was made by Commissioner Coan to promote Sergeant Olson to the position of Lieutenant. This appointment is effective upon the retirement of Lieutenant Curioso on or about June 19th to July 5th with discretion given to the Chief of Police to decide the actual date within these parameters due to the uncertainty of Lt. Curioso's exact retirement date. Motion seconded by Vice-Chair Bates and approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Coan to promote Officer Peckham to the position of Sergeant. This appointment is effective upon the promotion of Sergeant Olson to Lieutenant on or about June 19th to July 5th with discretion given to the Chief of Police to decide the actual date within these parameters due to the uncertainty of Lt. Curioso's exact retirement date. Motion seconded by Commissioner Pucci and approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Coan to adjourn. Motion seconded by Vice-Chair Bates and approved. Meeting adjourned at 10:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Pucci".

Frank Pucci
Secretary