

**STONINGTON BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 12, 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**

Doug Hanson, Broad Street Bistro, Pawcatuck, CT

In attendance to discuss and answer any questions regarding his application for a Special Use Permit for proposed establishment Broad Street Bistro, located at 59 West Broad St (former Apizzo Restaurant). Parking allows for 75 patrons; hours of operation are being decided, but will include lunch & dinner until approximately 11pm, with possible breakfast or brunch.

Chief clarified establishment includes full service bar, not just beer & wine, therefore reapplication is required.

Chair Tibus recommended Chief Stewart send a letter to the Planning and Zoning Commission stating the Police Commission has no concerns.

Angela Kannabis, Owner of Bravo Bravo Restaurant, Mystic, CT

Permits pending for one restaurant (including covered porch) and two apartments, behind Puritan & Genesta. Liquor license will be applied for; there are 25 parking spaces available.

The Commission has no issues.

**3) Traffic**

a. E-Mails & Letter Re: EMS Memorial Ride

- A motion was made by Commissioner Olsson to approve the EMS Memorial Ride. Motion seconded by Vice-Chair Bates and approved.

b. Information Re: Tour de Mystic

- A motion was made by Vice-Chair Bates to approve the modified route of the Tour de Mystic. Motion seconded by Commissioner Coan and approved.

c. Letter Re: Angel Ride

d. Legion of Valor Event

- A motion was made by Vice-Chair Bates to approve the Legion of Valor Event scheduled for May 20<sup>th</sup>. Motion seconded by Commissioner Olsson and approved.

e. Letter Re: Flashing Light Alpha Avenue & Trumbull Street

**4) Approval of Minutes for the April 14, 2011 Regular Meeting**

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Bates to approve the minutes from the April 14, 2011 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Coan and approved.

**5) New Business**

None

**6) Old Business**

None

**7) Report of the Chief of Police**

a. Monthly Report

b. Alarm Report

c. Budget Update

d. 2011 Special Events

e. Working Agreements

f. Interesting Article

g. Retirement of Sgt. Bruce Smith – letter of retirement accepted by Chief Stewart

h. Modify Motion to Promote Michael Peckham to Sergeant Effective 05/12/11

- A motion was made by Vice-Chair Bates to promote Officer Michael Peckham to the position of Sergeant, effective May 12, 2011, due to the vacancy created by Sergeant Bruce Smith's retirement. Motion seconded by Commissioner Coan and approved.

i. Letter Re: Dive Equipment

- Commissioner Coan recused himself at this time and abstained from the motion.
- A motion was made by Vice-Chair Bates to authorize Captain Desmond to distribute dive equipment at his discretion, with the provision that a liability waiver is drafted by the town attorney when equipment is sent to other parties. Motion seconded by Commissioner Pucci and approved.

j. Armstrong/Walker "Excessive Force" Resolution Request

- A motion was made by Commissioner Pucci to reaffirm the Use of Force Policy Under Chapter 3 of the Department's rules and regulations that is in compliance with the Federal requirement. Motion seconded by Vice-Chair Bates and approved.

k. New guns in - Lt. Beebe displayed

l. On-site DCF worker appointed

m. Distracted Driver program at High School

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

**8) Correspondence**

a. Zoning Permit Application: Broad Street Bistro (see Remarks of Visitors)

b. Zoning Permit Application: 19 East Main St., Mystic (see Remarks of Visitors)

**9) Consent Agenda**

- a. Letter Re: Pita Spot
- b. Letter Re: Walk With Me Event
- c. Letter Re: Donation To Animal Control Facility
- d. Memo Re: PSAP Survey
- e. Memo Re: Sgt. Olson – Thank You From LEC
- f. Memo Re: Job Well Done – Officer Brummund
- g. Memo Re: Lt. Curioso Retirement
- h. DUI Test Results
- i. Letter Re: Mystic Irish Parade
- j. Article Re: Social Network Tools
- k. Note Re: Chief Stewart Outside Employment
- l. Memo Re: Job Well Done – Officer Burge & Sgt. Schneider
- m. Letter Re: Farmer’s Market
- n. E-Mails Re: Tractor Supply \*FYI\*
- o. E-Mail Re: Liberty Crossing
- p. E-Mail Re: Clairemont Cluster Subdivision
- q. Letter Re: Chief Stewart Nomination For “We Are Stonington Public Schools”
- r. Letter Re: Duck Race

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Bates 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 Coan to enter into executive session for the purpose discussing personnel matters. Invited into executive session were Chief Stewart and Captain Desmond.

The Commission came out of executive session at 5:53pm.

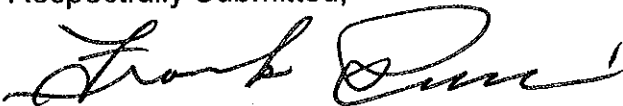
A motion was made by Commissioner Pucci to promote Officer William Morrison to the position of Lieutenant. This appointment is effective upon the promotion of Sergeant Olson on or about June 19<sup>th</sup> to July 5<sup>th</sup> with discretion given to the Chief of Police to decide the actual date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

**11) Swearing In of Michael Peckham to Sergeant**

**12) Adjourn**

A motion was made by Commissioner Bates to adjourn. Motion seconded by Vice-Chair Coan and approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Frank Pucci  
Secretary