

Board of Police Commissioners
Regular Meeting
March 22, 2022
Police Headquarters
8 Linsley Street
6:00 p.m.

Chairman Larry Lazaroff called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Larry Lazaroff, Commissioners Marc Calafiore, Alden Mead and Robert Hannon

Absent: Vice Chairman Robin Wilson

Others present: Police Chief Kevin Glenn and Deputy Chief Stanley Lofquist

Chairman Lazaroff asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2022 meeting both Regular and Executive Session. Commissioner Mead made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Hannon. There was no further discussion. All were in favor.

Correspondence:

Secretary Calafiore reported no correspondence was received this month.

Chairman's Report:

Chairman Lazaroff asked residents to wear reflective or bright colored clothing while out walking, exercising or bicycling, especially in the early morning and late evening hours. This will allow more visibility to motorists and help prevent unnecessary injuries or accidents.

Chairman Lazaroff again this month reminded residents to please lock their vehicles and homes at all times.

Chairman asked the viewing public to please support the budget referendum and vote in favor of the budget request for three new police officers for the next fiscal year.

Chief's Report:

Chief Glenn reported the budget is currently 68.8% expended. Chief Glenn stated this is under his self-imposed monthly limit.

Chief Glenn spoke of the February 16th budget workshop held at the Board of Finance meeting stating that his request for three new police officers and one supernumerary for the High School was supported at the most recent Board of Finance meeting. These requests will be presented at the annual Town Budget Meeting held on May 10, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the North Haven High School located at 221 Elm Street.

Chief Glenn asked the Board members to attend and show their support.

Traffic:

Chief Glenn received no requests for traffic signage this month.

Chief Glenn updated the Board on the status of the Valley Service Road project and stated that the road should be open sometime this summer. This road will connect Route 22 all the way north to the Amazon building at 409 Washington Avenue. The newly created road will relieve roughly 20% of the Amazon traffic on Washington Avenue.

Chief Glenn said the department was recently awarded a \$25,000 JAG grant for the calendar year 2022. Chief Glenn explained that the funds will be used for crime suppression in overtime for targeted patrol shifts, community outreach with the departments first Citizens Police Academy as well as overtime for the departments Task Force Officer assigned to the New Haven County Shooting Task Force.

Chief spoke briefly of the important endeavor with the New Haven County Shooting Task Force and credited Officer Michael Altieri of the North Haven Police Department for his efforts recently in an investigation which led to an arrest. Officer Altieri was also recently praised in a press conference held at the New Haven Police Department in which Chief Dominquez also credited Altieri for his great work with the Task Force and the arrest.

Chief Glenn spoke a recent quote received for the installation of camera sensors on the traffic light on Universal Drive at the Barnes and Noble entrance. The cameras will sense vehicles and activate the left or right turn signals on the traffic light. Chief Glenn stated the trips below the pavement that control the traffic light need to be replaced however the State DOT has been transiting to the cameras rather than replacing the trips in the road. Chief stated it is a new expensive concept, however it would require less maintenance long term. Chief Glenn said they will be looking to pursue some funding for this project.

Chief Glenn then provided the Board with a breakdown of crime statistics year to date.

Chief Glenn spoke about the detailed crime incident reports completed by Captain Andrew Stavrides which were provided to the Board earlier. These reports provide the Board a better breakdown of day, time, and location of crimes and motor vehicle incidents.

Police recruit, Collin Ahern is scheduled to start at the Milford Police Satellite Academy in April. After his graduation in October and 12 weeks of field training he should be patrolling on his own sometime in February of 2023.

Last month the Board gave four conditional offers of employment for police officers. All four individuals are undergoing the pre-employment testing and background investigation phases at this time.

Chief Glenn spoke of the upcoming promotional testing in April for the position of Captain, Sergeant and Lieutenant. Chief Glenn advised the Board that he should have a list of the test's rankings and scores for their review at the next Board of Police Commissioners meeting in April.

Chief Glenn spoke of the recently created Recruitment Team. This team consists of one Lieutenant and two Patrol men. Chief explained to the Board how the team is attending college fairs, CHIP physical agility assessments and job fairs. The team has also started reaching out on social media to promote the department.

Chief Glenn stated the department has recently revived its internship program and stated they will now be including a dispatcher internship which will allow those interested to learn about that aspect of law enforcement.

Recently the High School has implemented an Internship for their senior students. Chief Glenn stated the department has currently accepted one student from the high school who is currently working at the department spending time in each division.

Chief Glenn spoke of CALEA and explained some of the administrative reports that CALEA Manager; Lieutenant Chris Thorpe has to prepare in the months of January and February such as Bias Policing Review, Use of Force, Noteworthy Performances and Administrative Review.

Walter T. Berniere Scholarship:

Chief Glenn stated he received no requests for consideration this month.

With nothing further Chairman Lazaroff asked for a motion to adjourn to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. The motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Calafiore, seconded by Commissioner Hannon. All were in favor. The time was 6:26 p.m.

At 7:11 p.m. the Board returned to regular session. With nothing further, Chairman Lazaroff asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Hannon seconded by Commissioner Calafiore. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. The time was 7:11 p.m.

Submitted,

Marc Calafiore, Secretary