

Board of Police Commissioners
Special Meeting
April 30, 2024
6:00 p.m.
8 Linsley Street
Police Headquarters

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

Present: Chairman Larry Lazaroff, Vice Chairman Robert Hannon, Commissioners Marc Calafiore, Alden Mead and Robin Wilson.

Others present: Chief Kevin Glenn and Deputy Chief Andrew Stavrides

Chairman Lazaroff asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2024 meeting Regular and Executive session. Motion made by Commissioner Wilson, second by Commissioner Calafiore. There was no further discussion. All were in favor.

Correspondence

Commissioner Calafiore reported that no correspondence was received this month.

Chairman's Report:

Chairman Lazaroff congratulated the entire department for their great work and he encouraged the public to follow the departments Facebook page.

Chairman Lazaroff stated the Town Budget Meeting is May 13 and the referendum is May 21st. He asked the public to come out and support the department.

Chairman Lazaroff reminds residents to lock their vehicles and homes at all times.

Chairman Lazaroff stated with the warmer weather present, please be aware of the added presence of pedestrians, children at play, motorcyclists, bicyclists etc.

Chiefs Report

Chief Glenn added that of his budget requests for the next fiscal year he originally requested four new officers, but the Board of Finance cut the request down to only two officers. He encouraged the Board members and residents to come out to the Town meeting on May 13th to support the department.

Chief Glenn reported that at the end of the ninth month of the fiscal year, the budget is 74.3% expended just under his self-imposed monthly spending limits.

Chief Glenn stated overtime is still tracking a little high due to understaffing in the telecommunications center. Soon dispatch will be fully staffed which will help with overtime costs.

Chief Glenn stated the department is still increasing staffing during the overnight and early morning hours for crime suppression. Most of the additional staffing is being paid with a grant and the remainder is from the police operational budget.

Traffic

Chief Glenn stated approval was granted from the Department of Transportation to place solar speed signs on Clintonville Road and Quinnipiac Avenue. The signs have been installed.

Training

Chief Glenn advised the Board to refer to their packets for a detailed list of a substantial amount of training.

One notable training Chief spoke of of briefly was a department wide Active Shooter/Active Threat training recently held. This training was an eight-hour course and all officers attended. This training is very important.

Personnel

The State Property Examiner completed a compliance check of the property room last month. Chief stated they passed with no issues. One additional Sergeant has been assigned as a property officer.

Of the three newest recruits, two are now patrolling on their own. The third officer has had his field training extended for minor scheduling issues. He should be patrolling on his in two to three weeks.

One recruit is in the Police Academy in Meriden. She is expected to graduate on July 15th.

One injured officer who has been out for eight to nine months is expected to return to work in the next few weeks.

Uniformed Services

This month calls for service were slightly down in March compared to the last two years.

Motor vehicle stops are higher than the last two years.

All larcenies, such as shoplifting, motor vehicle break ins and thefts, are down in March compared to the last two years. Chief said the lower numbers can be contributed to more officer's present on the road deterring crime.

Investigative Services Division

Chief Glenn briefed the Board on some notable arrests that have been recently made.

Walter T. Berniere Scholarship

Chief reported no requests for consideration were received this month

At the Chairman's request, Chief Glenn and Deputy Chief Stavrides spoke briefly about the upcoming Police Memorial Week held in Washington D.C. Every year in the United States, thousands gather to mark National Police Week, a time to honor and remember those law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. Deputy Chief said a group of North Haven officers participate yearly and represent the department well.

With nothing further, Chairman Lazaroff asked for a motion to adjourn to move to Executive Session. The motion was made by Vice Chairman Hannon, second by Commissioner Mead. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. The time was 6:10 p.m.

At 6:22 p.m. the Board returned to Regular Session.

Commissioner Alden Mead spoke briefly about North Haven's Animal Control Officers and complimented them on the great job that they do. He recently witnessed an incident with AACO Chrystal and acknowledged her professionalism, compassion and patience while dealing with an individual and a stray canine.

Chairman Lazaroff made the motion for the Board to grant up to 60 additional sick days to Officer DiLauro with documentation from her doctor. DiLauro must exhaust all of her accrued time before the 60 additional sick days can be used. Motion seconded by Commissioner Hannon. There was no further discussion. All were in favor.

With nothing further Chairman Lazaroff asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Mead, second by Vice Chairman Hannon. All were in favor. The time was 6:31 p.m.

Submitted,
Marc Calafiore, Secretary

Minutes by P. Claflin