

**REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
AUGUST 10, 2010
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT**

PRESENT: Commissioners Richard Epstein, Chairman; Cathy Graves; Evelise Ribeiro; Sandra Trevino; and Richard Buckholz

Chief Frank Limon: Department of Police Services
Assistant Chief Tobin Hensgen: Department of Police Services
Assistant Chief Thomas Wheeler: Department of Police Services

Bruce Fisher: Department of Traffic and Parking

OPEN SESSION

Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m., Richard Epstein, Chairman, presiding.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRAFFIC AUTHORITY

Following the regular meeting of the Traffic Authority, Mr. Fischer excused himself at 6:18 p.m.

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Discussion and Approval of Regular Session Minutes of July 13, 2010

- ** Commissioner Ribeiro moved approval of the minutes of July 13, 2010
- ** Commissioner Trevino seconded
- ** Voting for: Commissioners Epstein, Graves, Ribeiro, Trevino, and Buckholz
- ** Motion passed (5-0-0)

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Frank Limon

Chief Limon distributed copies of his report and the matters that he wanted to highlight, as well as copies of a news release dated Monday, July 26, 2010.

The Chief's report highlighted such areas as community outreach, crime updates, training issues, upcoming events and various miscellaneous reporting.

The new release contained detailed information regarding changes to the Department's organizational structure.

Following the Chief's report there was an extended question and answer period with the Commissioners. Topics that were covered included the Civil Service list and promotions. The Board requested notifications of police activity via e-mail. Chief Limon explained how overtime would be handled in the future. The Department has received additional funding for bicycles. There was some discussion on the status of the general orders, and Chief Limon said he would look into the matter more thoroughly. The Street Interdiction Team will be used heavily for canvassing areas in response to violent crimes. Lastly, there was discussion on recruitment and

possibly raising the bar on future educational requirements for potential police officers.

CORPORATION COUNSEL REPORT

There was no Corporation Counsel report.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS REPORT

Captain Denise Blanchard

Deferred to Executive Session.

RETIREMENTS

Detective Lawrence Mazzola, age annuity, eff. 7/30/10

Informational only.

RESIGNATIONS

There were no resignations.

EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE REPORT

Commissioner Graves

Training for detectives is more in line with national training. The men's locker room upgrade continues. The lobby pictures are being updated with photos of the new chiefs. The third floor conference room has been turned into office space for the Street Interdiction Team and has been outfitted with telephones and computers; furniture was donated by the FBI. The Department has exceeded the licenses for Blackberry phones and the process has been reviewed so that everyone who needs a Blackberry has one. CTS is going to be civilianized and is under the direction of Clayton Northgrade. Lieutenant D'Addio is now director of Strategic Planning.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Commissioner Ribeiro

There was no Finance Committee Report.

CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD LIAISON REPORT

Commissioner Ribeiro

The CRB will meet on August 12, 2010.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Paul Hammer addressed the Board regarding the Pedi Cab business he hopes to establish in the near future in the city of New Haven. Mr. Hammer is hopeful the Pedi Cab business will be able to underwrite certain educational and recreational programs. Insurance has been acquired. There are some draft forms addressing a certain city ordinance which will be forwarded to the

Traffic Department and subsequently to the Commission. Mr. Hammer requested the Commission sign off on the forms prior to the September meeting so that the business could operate sooner. Chairman Epstein stated that the forms should be forwarded to the Commissioners and perhaps a special meeting could be called to sign off on the forms.

The next Regular Session Meeting will be held at the Newhallville substation on Winchester Avenue on September 14, 2010, at 6 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- ** Commissioner Graves moved to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel**
- ** Commissioner Buckholz seconded**
- ** Voting for: Commissioners Epstein, Graves, Ribeiro, Trevino and Buckholz**
- ** Motion passed (5-0-0)**

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:20 p.m.

- ** Commissioner Ribeiro moved to exit Executive Session**
- ** Commissioner Graves seconded**
- ** Voting for: Commissioners Epstein, Graves, Ribeiro, Trevino and Buckholz**
- ** Motion passed (5-0-0)**

The Board exited Executive Session at 7:48 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

- ** Commissioner Buckholz moved adjournment**
- ** Commissioner Trevino seconded**
- ** Voting for: Commissioners Epstein, Graves, Ribeiro, Trevino and Buckholz**
- ** Motion passed (5-0-0)**

The Board adjourned the Regular Session Meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda O'Neill