

**STONINGTON BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 18, 2014  
5:00 PM AT THE STONINGTON POLICE HEADQUARTERS  
MEETING MINUTES**

Present: Chair Mel Olsson and Vice-Chair Frank Pucci  
Commissioners Harry Holt, Patrick Moukawsher and Peter Rotella  
Chief Darren Stewart  
Absent: Captain Jerry Desmond

**1) Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance**

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

**2) Remarks of Visitors**

Alan Drouin, Stonington, CT

In attendance to request feedback or tentative approval regarding proposed housing units in the Shawondassee area; presented information packets to the Commission.

Chair Olsson explained that it would be premature for the Commission to make any recommendations or approvals at this time, as nothing has been received from Planning & Zoning.

Chief Stewart stated that once a formal site plan is submitted, Planning & Zoning will forward it to the Police Commission for review; until that time no recommendations will be made.

Bill Budds

Brain Injury Alliance of CT

In attendance to answer any questions regarding the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Tour of Lights Bike-a-thon.

Commissioner Moukawsher asked if the route has changed at all; Mr. Budds confirmed the route has not changed.

Chief Stewart reminded Mr. Budds to obtain approval from all Towns affected, and that bikers need to remain in single file so traffic is not blocked.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pucci to approve the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Tour of Lights Bike-a-thon scheduled for Saturday, May 3, 2014, provided all necessary insurance and paperwork is in place. Motion seconded by Commissioner Holt, all in favor, motion approved.

**3) New Business**

None

**4) Correspondence**

- a. Application for Peddlers/Solicitors Permit – Mystic Lions Club  
A motion was made by Commissioner Holt to waive the peddler permit requirement for the Mystic Lion's Club per the Peddlers/Solicitors ordinance. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rotella, all in favor, motion approved.
- b. Letter Re: 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Tour of Lights Bike-a-thon  
See Remarks of Visitors

**5) Traffic**

- a. Letter Re: School Signage
- b. Application for Approval of Speed Limits – Route 1/SHS  
No motion made
- c. Letter Re: Traffic Safety - SHS

**6) Approval of Minutes for the January 9, 2014 Regular Meeting**

A motion was made by Commissioner Moukawsher to approve the minutes from the January 9, 2014 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Holt, all in favor, motion approved.

**7) Old Business**

**8) Report of the Chief of Police**

- a. Budget Report
- b. Monthly Report
- c. Alarm Report
- d. Pawcatuck Statistics
- e. Special Event Schedule
- f. Memo Re: Locker Room Inspection
- g. Memo Re: Budget Hearings – Wednesday February 26<sup>th</sup>, 7PM
- h. Accident Report – Police Cruiser
- i. Tractor Supply Donation
- j. Old Police Vessel
  - A motion was made by Commissioner Rotella to table decision on old police vessel until next meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Moukawsher, all in favor, motion approved.
- k. Discussion regarding use of remaining police boat grant funds
- l. Department Yearly Report
- m. Memo Re: Personnel Matter – Officer Simone Probation/FTO
  - A motion was made by Vice-Chair Pucci to extend the probationary period of Officer Simone by six months. Motion seconded by Commissioner Holt, all in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Holt to approve the Report of the Chief. Motion seconded by Vice-Chair Pucci, all in favor, motion approved.

**9) Consent Agenda**

- a. Letter Re: Thank You – Donation to Animal Control
- b. Letter Re: Thank You – Boston Police
- c. Memos Re: Perfect Attendance Year 2013
- d. Memo Re: Job Well Done – Officer Burge
- e. Letters Re: Donations to Animal Control
- f. Memo Re: Officer Saunders – Five Year Anniversary
- g. Letter Re: Thank You – Donation of Helmets
- h. Letter Re: Thank You – Groton Town Police Department
- i. Propertyroom.com Check
- j. Letter Re: Pawcatuck Lion's Club Road Race
- k. Memo Re: Old Employee Personnel Files
- l. E-Mail Re: Bi-Centennial
- m. Letter Re: Donation to Animal Control

A motion was made by Commissioner Holt to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Vice-Chair Pucci, all in favor, motion approved.

**10) Executive Session**

At 5:55PM Commissioner Holt made a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose interviewing candidates for the position of Patrol Officer. Motion seconded by Vice-Chair Pucci, all in favor, motion approved.

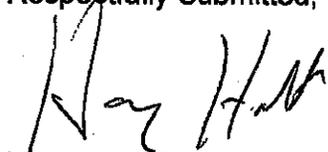
At 7:58PM a motion was made by Commissioner Holt and seconded by Vice-Chair Pucci to come out of executive session - all were in favor.

Commissioner Moukawsher then made a motion to extend a conditional offer of probationary employment subject to the passing of polygraph, psychological, physical and further testing to Sarah Emery for the position of Police Officer, seconded by Commissioner Holt. All were in favor.

Vice-Chair Pucci then made a motion to extend a conditional offer of probationary employment subject to the passing of polygraph, psychological, physical and further testing to Ryan Armstrong for the position of Police Officer, seconded by Commissioner Holt. Chair Olsson, Vice-Chair Pucci, Commissioners Holt and Moukawsher were in favor and Commissioner Rotella was opposed.

At 8:03PM a motion to adjourn was made by Vice-Chair Pucci, seconded by Commissioner Holt - all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,



Harry Holt, Secretary