

**STONINGTON BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
Tuesday, October 10, 2017
5:00 p.m. at the Stonington Police Headquarters**

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Chairman Harry Holt, Commissioner Raymond Trebisacci,
Commissioner Henri Gourd, Commissioner Bob Tabor,
Commissioner Robert O'Shaughnessy
Chief Darren Stewart

Absent: Captain Todd Olson

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Holt called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Remarks of Public

Rob Simmons, First Selectman – Town of Stonington

First Selectman Simmons expressed his appreciation to outgoing Chairman Harry Holt for his years of distinguished service on the Board of Police Commissioners.

Commissioner Trebisacci also thanked Chairman Holt for his service. He stated that the tireless effort Chairman Holt put in has made their jobs as Commissioners so much easier. Commissioner Tabor stated that as a new Commissioner, Chairman Holt's mentoring has been very valuable to him.

Chairman Holt stated that it has been an honor to serve on the Board. He thanked his family, police department staff, and the Commissioners.

Chief Stewart noted that most of the major upgrades to the police building, as well as a great number of officers hired, happened during Chairman Holt's tenure on the Board and he thanked him for his time and support.

3. Traffic

a. E-Mail Re: Potential Crosswalk – Mystic Color Lab Site *POSSIBLE VOTE*

Tabled to November meeting

b. Event Parking for Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center at Coogan Farm

POSSIBLE VOTE

Tabled to November meeting

c. Fernando & Asher Traffic Issues

After observing the intersection of Fernando Drive and Asher Avenue in Pawcatuck, Chief Stewart recommends making this a three-way stop. He will contact the Highway Department to have them reconfigure the intersection.

Commissioner O'Shaughnessy made a motion to accept Chief Stewart's recommendation to change the intersection at Fernando Drive and Asher Avenue into a three-way stop as soon as the Highway Department reconfigures the intersection. Motion seconded by Commissioner Trebisacci. No discussion. All in favor, motion approved.

d. Receipt of Master Plan Perkins Farm *FYI*

**4. Approval of Minutes from Thursday, September 14, 2017 Regular Meeting
*VOTE NEEDED***

Commissioner Trebisacci made a motion to approve the minutes from the Thursday, September 14, 2017 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Gourd. No discussion, all in favor – except Commissioner O'Shaughnessy who abstained from voting due to absence from that meeting, motion approved.

5. Report of the Chief of Police

a. Budget Report

Chief Stewart reports that the Department is 21% through the budget year. Salary line items are at 21.2%. Hiring one additional officer. Interviews possibly next month, with Academy start date at the end of December.

b. Monthly Report

Increases in ill/injured persons, and motor vehicle stops. 14 DWI's and 67 arrests in September.

c. Alarm Report

d. Events

e. Quotes & Bid waiver for Vehicle Purchase – Lt. Schneider *POSSIBLE VOTE*

Lt. Schneider was unable to attend meeting. Chief Stewart recommends that as in the past, the Department use the state bid list when purchasing vehicles. The Department will be purchasing three marked and one unmarked vehicle.

Commissioner Gourd made a motion to accept the Chief's proposal to pull from the state bid list for the purchase of vehicles, using Strobes n' More for upfitting and holding three cars back to be used for road jobs. Motion seconded by Commissioner O'Shaughnessy. No discussion. All in favor, motion approved.

f. First Responder Certificate Renewal *FYI*

g. 2017 Annual Report Concerning Human Trafficking *FYI*

h. Radio Project Update

Chief Stewart updated the Commission on the radio status, including an upcoming meeting next Wednesday.

Chief Stewart noted that Officer Britton Friend has been chosen to be honored as Officer of the Year for the Groton Elks Club.

Chief Stewart will be at the IACP conference all next week.

Commissioner Trebisacci made a motion to accept the Report of the Chief of Police. Motion seconded by Commissioner Tabor. No discussion. All in favor, motion approved.

8. Consent Agenda

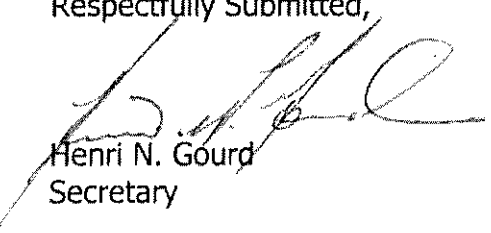
- a. Thank You – Blessing of the Fleet Committee**
- b. Letter Re: YMCA Events**
- c. Letter Re: Run/Walk for Penguin Event**
- d. Interlocal Agreement: Regional Community Enhancement Task Force**
- e. Thank You: Tour de Force**
- f. Letter Re: Human Services Halloween Egg Hunt**
- g. E-Mail Re: 2017 Law Enforcement Night Honoree**

Commissioner Trebisacci made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Commissioner O'Shaughnessy. No discussion, all in favor, motion approved.

9. Adjourn for Celebratory Goodbye Gathering for Chairman Harry Holt

Commissioner O'Shaughnessy made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner Tabor. No discussion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Henri N. Gourd
Secretary