

SEYMOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT

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MINUTES-REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2009 7:00 P.M. SEYMOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT

Members present: Steve Chucta, Lucy McConologue, Howard Simpson, James Simpson and Frank Conroy. Also in attendance: Chief Metzler, Captain Beres, LT. Satkowski, Community Police Officer Desiderato, Youth Officer Ditria, Officer Sprandel, First Selectman Paul Roy Det. Sgt. Goodmaster, Michael Jasmin, the public and the press.

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Chucta
- 2. Pledge of allegiance: was led by Howard Simpson.
- 3. **Election of Officers:** Frank Conroy/James Simpson, to name Howard Simpson as Chairman of the Board of Police Commissioners. **Motion: 4:0** Howard Simpson accepted the position for one year.

James Simpson/Lucy McConologue, to name Frank Conroy as Vice Chairman of the Board of Police Commissioners. **Motion: 4:0** Frank Conroy accepted the position for one year.

Howard Simpson/James Simpson, to name Lucy McConolongue as Secretary of the Board of Police Commissioners. **Motion: 4:0** Lucy McConologue abstain.

- 4. Public Comment: Konsantino Hastiotis, 29 Bank Street, reports there is still an on going problem with the two-hour parking in the downtown area. LT. Satkowski to address the issue.
- 5. Approval of minutes of special meeting November 12, 2009
 Steve Chucta/Lucy McConologue to approve the minutes. Motion: 2:0 (3 abstain)

Approval of minutes of regular meeting November 19, 2009
Steve Chucta/Lucy McConologue to approve the minutes. Motion: 3:0 (2 abstain)

6. Commissioners' Comments: None.

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7. Old Business:

- 7a) <u>Report from Patrol Division</u> Board accepted report has handed out although they would like to see more cell phone arrests.
- 7b. Youth Division Board accepted report has handed out. Officer Ditria spoke on "LEAD"-Law Enforcement Against Drugs- a program that has been started for parents to test their children in the privacy of their own homes. Kits are available at the Police Department. The program was solely funded through contributions from local businesses.
- 7b. <u>Community Policing</u> Board accepted report has handed out. The Board wanted to know the status of the GPS program. Officer Desiderato and Officer Harkins are working on getting the program up and running.
- 7c. Det. Division -Board accepted report has handed out.
- 7d. <u>K-9</u> No report. The Board wanted to know the status of the K-9 going into the schools. Chief Metzler to write a letter to the Board of Education notifying them of a date and time that the K-9 will be there.
- **8.** New Business: Steve Chucta/Frank Conroy to go into executive session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. In attendance: The Board and Chief Metzler Motion: 5:0

Chief Metzler comes out of executive session at 7:52 p.m. and Michael Jasmin goes in. Michael Jasmin comes out of executive session at 8:15 and Chief Metzler goes in.

Frank Conroy/Lucy McConologue motion to come out of executive session at 8:20 p.m. No votes or motions taken. **Motion: 5:0**

Lucy McConologue/Frank Conroy motion to conditionally offer employment to Michael Jasmin, subject to passing all components of the hiring process, with a starting date to be determined by the Captain. **Motion: 5:0** Michael Jasmin accepts.

Howard Simpson/Steve Chucta motion to go into executive session at 8:22 to discuss budget issues. In attendance: The Board and Chief Metzler. **Motion: 5:0**

Frank Conroy/Steve Chucta motion to come out of executive session at 8:50 p.m. No votes or motions taken. **Motion: 5:0**

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- 9: **Management Report:** Chief Metzler reports that budget and income are doing well, overtime and repairs and maintenance are slightly high and budget board needs to be established.
- 10. Correspondence: Letter from Mr. Dalia, Steep Hill Road regarding speeding in the area. The letter was handed over to LT. Satkowski and a thank you letter from Oxford Food Bank thanking the dept for their generosity.
- 11. Other Business: Chairman Simpson received complaints from residents not wanting to come to meetings being held at the Police Department. Each commissioner voiced their concerns and opinions regarding the matter and discussed moving the meetings to Town Hall. Lucy McConologue/James Simpson motion to have next month's meeting, as a trial basis, be held at Town Hall, Norma Drummer room at the same scheduled time and day. Motion: 4:1 (Steve Chucta opposes).

12. ADJOURNMENT.

MOTION: Steve Chucta/Lucy McConologue to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Motion: 5:0

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Spaulding
Recording Secretary