



EAST HAVEN DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICES

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Mayor Joseph Carfora

Honorable Board of
Police Commissioners

HONORABLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 22, 2020 AT 7:00 PM
EAST HAVEN SENIOR CENTER
91 TAYLOR AVENUE
EAST HAVEN, CT

COMMISSIONER(S) PRESENT: Chairman Paul Carbo (presiding), Vice Chairman Dominic Balletto, Commissioner Dawne Flynn, Commissioner Eduardo Torrealba, Commissioner Dianne Romans

OTHER(S) PRESENT: Chief Edward Lennon, Deputy Chief Patrick Tracy, Clerk Marsha Maldonado

Chairman Carbo called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Moment of Silence
3. Roll Call – Quorum obtained
4. Interview and consideration of candidates for hire to Police Officer – Grade C (Executive Session)

Vice Chairman Balletto made a motion to conduct the interviews in executive session with the Board, Chief Lennon and Deputy Chief Tracy present; seconded by Commissioners Torrealba and Romans. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously. Executive session commenced at 7:11 PM.

Lateral Transfer Candidate Dwight Calderon went in to executive session at 7:16 PM and exited at 7:26 PM.

Lateral Transfer Candidate Francisco Ortiz went in to executive session at 7:27 PM and exited at 7:45 PM.

Vice Chairman Balletto made a motion to come out of executive session; seconded by Commissioner Flynn. Public session resumed at 7:53 PM.

Vice Chairman Balletto made a motion to extend conditional offers of employment to Dwight Calderon and Francisco Ortiz for Police Officer – Grade C pending the successful completion of a medical examination including a drug screening and physical fitness test which must be administered following the procedures required by CT POST regulations. The effective hire date will be January 4, 2021; seconded by Commissioner Torrealba. Roll Call Vote: All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board welcomes Officers Calderon and Ortiz to the Department and wishes them well.

Commissioner Torrealba made a motion to return to executive session with the Board, Chief Lennon and Deputy Chief Tracy to continue the interviews for Police Officer – Grade C Recruits; seconded by Vice Chairman Balletto. Executive session resumed at 7:55 PM.

Candidate Julie Kustra went in to executive session at 7:59 PM and exited at 8:11 PM.

Candidate Micah Belcher went in to executive session at 8:15 PM and exited at 8:24 PM.

Candidate Rachel Wallinger went in to executive session at 8:26 PM and exited at 8:37 PM.

Candidate Christian Lupoli went in to executive session at 8:38 PM and exited at 8:51 PM.

Candidate Jayqwan Wilkins went in to executive session at 8:54 PM and exited at 9:06 PM.

Vice Chairman Balletto made a motion to come out of executive session; seconded by Commissioner Flynn. Public session resumed at 9:11 PM.

Vice Chairman Balletto made a motion to extend conditional offers of employment to Micah Belcher, Julie Kustra, Rachel Wallinger, Christian Lupoli and Jayqwan Wilkins for Police Officer – Grade C pending the successful completion of a medical examination including a drug screening and a pre-Academy physical fitness test which must be administered within the timeframes and procedures required by CT POST regulations. The effective hire date will be January 5, 2021 unless the starting date of the Police Academy is changed or postponed; in that event, the hiring date will be determined by the Chief of Police once obtaining the first available recruit seats in the next available Police Academy class; seconded by Commissioners Flynn, Torrealba and Romans. Roll Call Vote: All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board welcomes Recruit Officers Belcher, Kustra, Wallinger, Lupoli and Wilkins to the Department and wishes them well.

5. Adjournment

Commissioner Torrealba made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Flynn. Chairman Carbo adjourned the meeting at 9:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha M. Maldonado
Clerk to the Honorable Board of Police Commissioners

[Audio recording on file – duration 05:40 minutes for public session only; executive session excluded]