



EAST HAVEN DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICES

471 NORTH HIGH STREET • EAST HAVEN, CONNECTICUT 06512

Mayor Joseph A. Carfora



Honorable Board of
Police Commissioners

HONORABLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

JUNE 28, 2022 AT 7:00 PM
471 NORTH HIGH STREET
EAST HAVEN, CT

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chairman Dominic Balletto (presiding), Vice Chairman Joseph DiSilvestro, Commissioner Paul Carbo, Commissioner Dianne Romans, Commissioner Barbara Barbuio

ALSO PRESENT: Chief Edward Lennon, Deputy Chief Patrick Tracy, Clerk Marsha Maldonado, Town Councilwoman Karen Martin

Chairman Balletto called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Moment of Silence
3. Roll Call – Clerk Maldonado; quorum obtained
4. Announcement(s)
5. Consider and act upon the approval of the regular Monthly Meeting minutes of May 31, 2022
Vice Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to accept and approve the regular Monthly Meeting minutes of May 31, 2022 as received; seconded by Commissioner Romans. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Consider and act upon the approval of the Monthly Reports (June 2022)
Vice Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to accept and approve the monthly reports as received; seconded by Commissioner Romans. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Consider and act upon Committee Reports & Recommendations
 - a. Traffic & Public Safety Committee (DiSilvestro)
 - i. Correspondence received from Town Hall (Benivegna) – will address under New Business 12.a.
 - ii. Subcommittee Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to add to the agenda under ‘New Business’ to send a letter to the Director of Public Works regarding the immediate abatement and/or removal of trees that are obstructing a stop sign on Dodge Avenue at the corner of Deerfield Street; seconded by Commissioner Romans. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Public Comment

Chairman Balletto had previously spoken with Chief Lennon about minors driving golf carts, with multiple minors on the front, back and end – he and another Commissioner had witnessed this over the weekend during the Town’s Annual Fireworks Celebration. Chief Lennon commented that we have designated officers at the Beach for enforcement now through Labor Day, and all patrol officers will have a review of the ordinances in the coming weeks.

a. Karen Martin (15 Oak Grove Road)

i. Golf Carts

1. Inspections – In coordination with Branford Police Department, Torello Tire offers operator instruction and conduct inspections to ensure golf carts are equipped with the required equipment (lights, horns, flags, etc.) – also available for purchase, if necessary, and then issue a two-year sticker (\$25). Chief Lennon will contact Chief Mulhern to learn more about their program.
2. Seat belts – Last year, we did not enforce this but since children are usually the passengers, we should probably take the necessary precaution to enforce them in the backseats.

Commissioner Carbo suggested posting information in the Shoreline paper and on our website about the ordinance(s) we will be enforcing. Chief Lennon mentioned that there are upcoming public hearings with the Town Council regarding some changes to the Town ordinances and then we had planned to do an educational piece on our social media platforms.

9. Correspondence Received/Sent

- a. Michelle Benivegna, Assistant Director of Administration & Management (via email dated June 17, 2022) – Will address under New Business 12.a.

10. Department Updates (Chief Lennon)

a. Personnel Matters/Injured Employees

- i. Three (3) vacancies: one (1) each lieutenant, detective, and police officer. Testing is in process for detective and police officer. Chief Lennon asked the Board to plan to conduct promotional and hiring interviews in late August/early September as the Police Academy starts in mid-September.
- ii. One (1) sworn personnel on light duty, returning to full duty June 29, 2022.

b. Overtime

Tracking over budget, however, it is almost the same as this time last year and includes wage increases pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Agreement that was ratified this fiscal year. We will have a better picture by the next meeting.

c. Awards & Commendations

Planning for late September/October, to coincide with the Promotional/Oath of Office ceremony.

d. Noteworthy News

BOPC training mid/late August or September.

11. Old Business

12. New Business

Since the Commission will likely not meet in July, Chief Lennon asked the Board to request certified lists for lieutenant, sergeant, detective, and Grade C recruit police officer from the Civil Service Commission.

Vice Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to add a request to Civil Service for a certified list for Lieutenant; seconded by Commissioner Romans. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to add a request to Civil Service for a certified list for Sergeant; seconded by Commissioner Romans. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to add a request to Civil Service for a certified list for Detective; seconded by Commissioners Romans and Barbuito. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to add a request to Civil Service for a certified list for Grade C Recruit Police Officer; seconded by Commissioner Romans. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

a. Discussion and approval of the following requests from Michelle Benivegna, Assistant Director of Administration & Management (Mayor's Office):

- i. Removal of the "NO PARKING" signs that run along the Town Green on Main Street between the Green and Walgreens. The Farmer's Market has been relocated to that side of the Town Green and this change would allow residents to park alongside of curb.

Subcommittee Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to approve the request with one modification – the very first "NO PARKING" sign to Hemingway Avenue east will change to "NO PARKING FROM HERE TO CORNER;" seconded by Commissioner Romans. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

- ii. Two (2) additional handicap parking spaces added to Park Street on the corner of Park and Main Street.

Subcommittee Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to approve the request; seconded by Commissioner Romans. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Subcommittee Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to send a letter to the Director of Public Works requesting the immediate attention regarding the abatement and/or removal/relocation of trees obstructing a stop sign on Dodge Avenue at the corner of Deerfield Street; seconded by Commissioner Romans. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Request a certified Lieutenant list from the Civil Service Commission

Vice Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to request a certified Lieutenant list from the Civil Service Commission; seconded by Commissioner Barbuito. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

- d. Request a certified Sergeant list from the Civil Service Commission

Vice Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to request a certified Sergeant list from the Civil Service Commission; seconded by Commissioner Romans. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

- e. Request a certified Detective list from the Civil Service Commission

Vice Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to request a certified Detective list from the Civil Service Commission; seconded by Commissioners Romans and Barbuito. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

- f. Request a certified Grade C Recruit Police Officer list from the Civil Service Commission

Vice Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to request a certified Grade C Recruit Police Officer list from the Civil Service Commission; seconded by Commissioners Barbuito and Romans. All in favor. No one opposed or abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Adjournment

Vice Chairman DiSilvestro made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Romans. All in favor. Chairman Balletto adjourned the meeting at 7:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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

[Audio recording on file – duration 19:40]