

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
June 15, 2010

1. Chairman Smith called the Regular Meeting of the Naugatuck Police Commission to order at 7:02 p.m.

Those in attendance were:

POLICE COMMISSION:

S. Smith  
L. Mayfield  
Mayor Mezzo  
B. Whitaker

DEPT. HEADS AND OTHERS:

Chief Christopher Edson  
Burgess Patrick Scully

ALTERNATES:

A. Barnes  
W. Bertotti  
C. Ford

ABSENT:

Mayor Mezzo  
R. Roper  
J. San Angelo

Public: 1

Staff: 0

Press: 0

(C. Ford arrived at 7:25 p.m.)

2. Chairman Smith led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

3. **ALTERNATES APPOINTED AS VOTING MEMBERS:**

Chairman Smith appointed A. Barnes and W. Bertotti as voting members in the absence of R. Roper and J. San Angelo respectively.

4. A motion by A. Barnes and seconded by W. Bertotti to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held on May 18, 2010.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous

5. A motion by W. Bertotti and seconded by B. Whitaker to accept the minutes of the Special Meeting held on June 8, 2010.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous

6. A motion by L. Mayfield and seconded by W. Bertotti to accept the minutes of the Special Meeting held on June 10, 2010.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Burgess Patrick Scully, 41 Lines Hill Street, asked the Commission to investigate the addition of a patio to the Tomo 68 Restaurant on Prospect Street, Route 68 which impedes the line of site when exiting Lines Hill Street. It was determined the Zoning Enforcement Officer approved the construction of the patio. Chairman Smith suggested the Police Department conduct a traffic study regarding the line of site. Chief Edson stated that this was a matter for the Zoning Commission, not the Police Commission. He noted there wasn't a borough ordinance for law enforcement regarding a line of site. W. Bertotti said he will look at the area. Burgess Scully will be attending the Zoning Commission meeting the following evening for further discussion.

(C. Ford arrived at 7:25 p.m.)

Peter King, 126 Fairview Avenue, expressed his displeasure with the lack of response by the Police Department when he placed a call for service regarding parking on his sidewalk and the failure to ticket vehicles. Discussion regarding residents' responsibilities pertaining to sidewalks, restricting parking on narrow streets, Buckmiller's Funeral Home and police respond time took place. Chief Edson said he would look into the matter.

8. UNION BUSINESS: NONE
9. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING GRIEVANCE #2010-01:

It was decided to table this item until the next Regular Meeting.

10. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING HIRING:

It was noted that action from the Special Meetings held on June 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> resulted in the conditional hiring of three police candidates.

11. PRESENTATION OF CHIEF'S MONTHLY REPORTS:

A motion by A. Barnes and seconded by W. Bertotti to accept the Chief's monthly reports.

Discussion: C. Ford asked Chief Edson to comment on the transfers he made at the last Board of Finance meeting. He explained there were a few line items with shortages but overall the budget was fine.

Vote: Unanimous

12. CORRESPONDENCE:

Land Use Subcommittee Chairman W. Bertotti received building plans.

Wayne Zirolli, Borough Engineer, sent correspondence regarding Tomo 68 Restaurant and the installation of a patio. Burgess Scully asked for copies to bring to the Zoning Commission meeting.

Sibby's sent a letter requesting to remain on the towing list for fiscal year 2010/2011.

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

14. OPEN ITEMS:

a. Request for placement of handicapped sign adjacent to driveway on Fairchild Street.

b. Request for placement of a stop sign at Inwood Drive/Larkspur Road and a "Children Playing" sign.

It was agreed to table these items until the next Regular Meeting.

15. REPORTS FROM SUBCOMMITTEES:

C. Ford, Alarm Subcommittee, presented two letters of appeal for alarm violations.

A motion by A. Barnes and seconded by W. Bertotti to accept the recommendation of the Alarm Subcommittee to waive the penalty for the alarm violations of Maritza Serrano and Maria Joao Roque but impose the original fine.

Discussion: C. Ford will prepare correspondence to be sent to Ms. Roque and Ms. Serrano.

Vote: Unanimous

16. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

W. Bertotti said he thought the police interviews went very well and was impressed with the candidates.

A. Barnes stated that he was sorry he missed the interviews due to his work schedule.

B. Whitaker also commented on the success of the police interviews and asked Chairman Smith to limit the amount of time given to those appearing before the Commission during "Public Comments".

C. Ford expressed thanks from the Elks Club for the attendance of the Police Honor Guard at their Flag Day event.

Chairman Smith thanked the Commissioners for their participation in the police interviews. He was pleased with the candidates. He also thanked the Police Honor Guard and officers for their attendance in the Memorial Day Parade. Chairman Smith was congratulated on his re-appointment to the Commission by Mayor Mezzo.

Chairman Smith wanted to note in the minutes of the meeting that the Police Commission interviews for position of Deputy Chief will take place on August 3, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. The agenda for the meeting will be:

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Select questions and learn the scoring system.

7:00 p.m. – 7:40 p.m. Candidate 1: interview 30 minutes; discuss/finalize 10 minutes.

7:40 p.m. – 8:20 p.m. Candidate 2: interview 30 minutes; discuss/finalize 10 minutes.

8:20 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Candidate 3: interview 30 minutes; discuss/finalize 10 minutes.

9:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m. Candidate 4: interview 30 minutes; discuss/finalize 10 minutes.

9:40 p.m. Finalize selection.

17. A motion by W. Bertotti and seconded by A. Barnes at 8:40 p.m. to adjourn to the next scheduled meeting on Tuesday, July 20, 2010 at the Naugatuck Police Department, Naugatuck, CT.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous.

ATTEST:

Steven Smith, Chairman  
Naugatuck Police Commission

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