

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
November 9, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners was called to order by Chairman, Commissioner Hersh at 4:30 pm.

Those present were: the Chairman, Commissioner Hersh, the secretary, Commissioner Lazinger; Commissioners Peterson, Lebo, Cafferelli, Stone and Barrett; Chief MacNamara, Deputy Chief Lyddy, Captain Smith, Captain Zabin, Lieutenant Kalamaras and Sergeant Paris and Officer Gary Wikman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Stone and seconded by Commissioner Peterson; carried unanimously.

Traffic Surveys:

TS #1 - Location: Black Rock Turnpike from Tahmore Drive to Old Black Rock Turnpike.

Nature of Request: Install crosswalk across Tahmore Drive to Old Black Rock Turnpike.

By Whom: William Hurley, Town Engineer.

Lieutenant Kalamaras addressed the Board of Commissioners saying that since 2010 there have been 30 motor vehicle accidents at this location and no pedestrians have been struck. The State DOT is willing to install the crosswalk as long as the Town of Fairfield upgrades the ramps. Motion to approve by Commission Lazinger; seconded by Commissioner Stone; carried unanimously.

TS #2 - Location: Nichols Street

Nature of Request: Request to close Nichols Street just west of the exit driveway of the Police Department parking lot.

By Whom: Captain Donald Smith

Captain Smith presented a PowerPoint presentation of the "Public Safety Complex, Proposal 2016" to the Board of Commissioners. Chief MacNamara said that the cost of the project has not yet been determined and there is a possibility of potential future grant funding. There are still many discussions that need to be had before implementation. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Peterson motioned to, in concept, approve the request to close Nichols Street just west of the exit driveway of the Police Department parking lot; Commissioner Stone seconded the motion; carried unanimously.

Old Business: none.

New Business:

Donations: Chief MacNamara said that he had received a check for \$1,250.00 for the K9 Unit donated by the CT Pro FF Emergency Relief Fund (CT United Ride). Also, a \$100.00 donation from Elizabeth Kuang was made to Animal Control. Commission Peterson motioned to accept the donations; Commissioner Lebo seconded the motion; carried unanimously.

Also, Chief MacNamara told the Board of Commissioners that some officers, with his authorization, are growing beards for "No Shave November" which brings awareness to issues that affect men.

The Monthly Report (October 2016). Presented and no discussion.

Commissioner Barrett reminded everyone about the K9 Fundraiser at the Country Cow this Saturday. She also said that this was Commissioner Lazinger's last Police Commission meeting and that

he served the community well and that he will be missed. Commissioner Lazinger said that he served 2, 5-year terms along with filling in 2 years for Mary Carroll-Mirylees and that it has been an interesting 12 years and it has been a pleasure. All of the Commissioners praised Commissioner Lazinger and thanked him for his years of service. Chief MacNamara said that Commissioner Lazinger has left an impact on the Department and that we are very fortunate to have had Commissioner Lazinger for 12 years. Chief MacNamara presented Commissioner Lazinger with a Police Commissioner's retirement badge.

Commissioner Peterson motioned to adjourn; Commissioner Barrett seconded the motion; carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.