

**BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 16, 2024 6:00 p.m.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT:

Mayor Jeff Caggiano, Chairperson
Commissioner Rory Ghio
Commissioner Dean Kilbourne
Commissioner Paul Lemieux
Commissioner Terry Lewis
Commissioner Gloria Sapp-Smith
Council Member Sue Tyler

ABSENT:

Jon Mace, Board of Finance Liaison

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Caggiano called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

None.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Wally Frechette, 355 Hill Street, asked for an update on what has been done to deter the illegal parking near Rich Farms on Hill Street.

Ms. Jane Murdock, 400 Shrub Road, was interested in the discussion on Shrub Road.

Commissioner Lemieux made a motion TO MOVE UP 9.a.3 RICH FARMS PARKING ISSUES,
Seconded by Commissioner Lewis.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

A discussion was held. Deputy Chief Moskowitz informed the Board that No Parking signs had been lowered and that reflective tape was added to the signs. There also were 68 directed patrols over the last three months between 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Commissioner Lemieux suggested a lane shift on James P Casey Road to show parking is allowed.

Commissioner Lemieux made a motion TO MOVE UP 9.a.2 SHRUB ROAD, Seconded by Council Member Tyler.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

Lt. Krajewski addressed the Shrub Road speed limit reduction request. The Director of Public Works asked Lt. Krajewski to consider reducing the 30 mph speed limit, as the road will be narrower with the addition of sidewalks and crosswalks. Lt. Krajewski requests that the Office of the State Traffic Administration evaluate the roadway to determine if lowering the speed limit to 25 mph would be appropriate for this project.

Commissioner Ghio made a motion TO HAVE THE OFFICE OF THE STATE TRAFFIC ADMINISTRATION EVALUATE THE ROADWAY TO DETERMINE IF LOWERING THE SPEED LIMIT TO 25 MPH WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THIS PROJECT, Seconded by Commissioner Sapp-Smith.

A discussion was held regarding lowering the speed limit on Shrub Road. Mayor Caggiano also shared that there have been directed patrols and the speed sign was moved to the other side of the road which has helped.

Commissioner Lemieux asked that if this project was for traffic calming, should we wait until the project is completed to see the outcome before we go to the State Traffic Administration? Lt. Krajewski stated that a request through the State Traffic Administration usually takes 6 – 8 months.

A vote was taken to have the Office of the State Traffic Administration evaluate the roadway to determine if lowering the speed limit to 25 mph would be appropriate for this project.

VOTE: Yes (3) Mayor Caggiano, Commissioners Lewis and Sapp-Smith
No (4) Commissioners Kilbourne, Lemieux, Ghio, and Council Member Tyler

The motion did not pass.

Council Member Tyler made a motion TO MOVE UP 9.a.1 VIEW STREET COMPLAINT, Seconded by Commissioner Sapp-Smith.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

Chief Morello spoke to the complainant on View Street about potential animal cruelty and illegal kenneling. The Animal Control Officer investigated very thoroughly and he cannot substantiate animal cruelty and unlawful kenneling. The Animal Control Officer has reached out to the complainants and encouraged them to provide information as it comes to light.

Mr. John LaFraniere, 85 View Street, expressed his concerns regarding View Street.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council Member Tyler moved to APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 18, 2024 REGULAR POLICE BOARD MEETING, Seconded by Commissioner Sapp-Smith.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

5. REPORTS OF ACCOUNTS YEAR TO DATE

Commissioner Kilbourne moved to APPROVE THE REPORT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR TO DATE AND PLACE ON FILE, Seconded by Commissioner Lemieux.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

6. APPROVAL OF VARIOUS MONTHLY REPORTS

Commissioner Kilbourne moved to APPROVE MONTHLY REPORTS A-Q AND PLACE ON FILE, Seconded by Commissioner Lewis.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. AWARDS COMMITTEE

Council Member Tyler gave an overview of the July 2, 2024 Awards Committee meeting.

b. BPD MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Commissioner Lemieux gave an overview of the July 1, 2024 BPD Memorial Committee meeting.

9. OLD BUSINESS

9.1 Chief Morello

9.2 Police Commissioners

None.

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 Chief Morello

10.a.1 Commissioner Ghio moved to APPROVE THE REQUEST TO APPROPRIATE \$140,630 TO COVER EXPENSE ACCOUNTS, Seconded by Commissioner Kilbourne.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

Council Member Tyler moved to APPROVE THE REQUEST TO APPROPRIATE \$44,767 FOR THE FY24 SPEED & AGGRESSIVE DRIVING ENFORCEMENT GRANT EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 4, 2024, Seconded by Commissioner Lewis.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

10.a.2 Commissioner Ghio moved to ACCEPT THE REQUEST FOR RETIREMENT FROM DETECTIVE WARD EFFECTIVE AUGUST 17, 2024, Seconded by Council Member Tyler.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

10.2 Police Commissioners

None.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Tyler moved to ADJOURN, Seconded by Commissioner Sapp-Smith.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

The regular meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners called for the 16th day of July 2024 was
HEREBY ADJOURNED AT 7:03 p.m.

Lisa Ziegas

Recording Secretary

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