

**BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 15, 2024 6:00 p.m.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT:

Mayor Jeff Caggiano, Chairperson
Commissioner Rory Ghio
Commissioner Dean Kilbourne
Commissioner Paul Lemieux
Commissioner Gloria Sapp Smith
Council Member Sue Tyler
Jon Mace, Board of Finance Liaison

ABSENT:

Commissioner Terry Lewis

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Officer Petzing received the Letter of Commendation and Officer of the Month for September 2024. Officer Baek and Parracino received a Letter of Commendation and Officer of the Month for August 2024.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Jerry Rafaniello, 103 Windham Road, expressed concern over traffic safety and the lack of police presence throughout the city.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council Member Tyler moved to APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2024 REGULAR POLICE BOARD MEETING AND THE OCTOBER 9, 2024 SPECIAL POLICE BOARD MEETING, Seconded by Commissioner Sapp Smith.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

5. REPORTS OF ACCOUNTS YEAR TO DATE

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

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

6. APPROVAL OF VARIOUS MONTHLY REPORTS

Commissioner Kilbourne moved to APPROVE MONTHLY REPORTS A-O AND PLACE ON FILE, Seconded by Commissioner Sapp Smith.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Ghio moved TO ACCEPT AND PLACE ON FILE, Seconded by Council Member Tyler.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Awards Committee – informational purposes only.
- b. BPD Memorial Committee – Commissioner Lemieux informed the Board that a motion was made to disband the BPD Memorial Committee. A discussion was held.

Commissioner Lemieux moved TO DISBAND THE POLICE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE, Seconded by Commissioner Kilbourne.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

9. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Chief Morello
 - i. A discussion was held regarding traffic stop stats. Chief Morello expressed that he is confident that we are trending in the right direction regarding traffic safety.

ii. Retirement Request

Commissioner Ghio moved to ACCEPT THE AMENDED RETIREMENT REQUEST DATE OF OCTOBER 3, 2024 FOR DETECTIVE LAVALLEE, Seconded by Council Member Tyler.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

iii. FLOCK Camera System Update

Chief Morello informed the Board that we have 11 of the 12 cameras deployed.

iv. Axon My 90 Update

9.2 Police Commissioners
No old business.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Chief Morello

i. Chief's Report

A discussion was held regarding the Chief's Reports. Two changes to the report, Swearing-in date and place changed to October 23 at 10 a.m. in meeting room 3-1 at City Hall, and Sergeant Solnik will be promoted to Detective Sergeant.

Council Member Tyler moved to PLACE THE CHIEF'S REPORT ON FILE, Seconded by Commissioner Sapp Smith.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

ii. Marwood Condominium Association

Commissioner Ghio moved to APPROVE THE PARKING WAIVER REQUEST FROM MARWOOD CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION FROM DECEMBER 15 – MARCH 25, 2025, Seconded by Council Member Tyler.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

iii. Matthews Street Speed Limit Request

Council Member Tyler moved to REQUEST OSTA TO CONDUCT AN ENGINEERING INVESTIGATION OF MATTHEWS STREET, REQUESTING A 25 MPH SPEED LIMIT FOR THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF MATTHEWS STREET, Seconded by Commissioner Lemieux.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

iv. Board of Finance Requests

Commissioner Kilbourne moved to APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE SERGEANT ALEX HAMZY MEMORIAL FUND FROM THE MAIN STREET COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR THE POLICE CADETS AND FORWARD TO THE BOARD OF FINANCE, Seconded by Commissioner Sapp Smith.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

Commissioner Ghio moved to APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE FY BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP GRANT FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$19,741 AND FORWARD TO THE BOARD OF FINANCE, Seconded by Commissioner Lemieux.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

v. FLOCK Camera

Commissioner Ghio TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT FOR 2 ADDITIONAL FLOCK CAMERAS AND FORWARD TO CITY COUNCIL, Seconded by Commissioner Lemieux.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

vi. Changing the Title of Detective Lieutenant to Captain

Commissioner Sapp Smith moved to CHANGE THE TITLE OF DETECTIVE LIEUTENANT TO CAPTAIN OF CID, Seconded by Commissioner Ghio.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

10.2 Police Commissioners

No new business.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Sapp Smith moved to ADJOURN, Seconded by Commissioner Ghio.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

The regular meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners called for the 20th day of October 2024 was HEREBY ADJOURNED AT 7:04 p.m.

Lisa Ziogas
Recording Secretary