

**BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 15, 2025 AT 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 Morelli and Officer Rivera received the Medical Life Saving Ribbon.
Officer Verillo and Officer Levine received the Department Silver Star and Employee of the Month for March.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council Member Tyler moved to APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 18, 2025, REGULAR POLICE BOARD MEETING, Seconded by Commissioner Sapp Smith.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

5. REPORTS OF ACCOUNTS YEAR TO DATE

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

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

6. APPROVAL OF VARIOUS MONTHLY REPORTS

Commissioner Kilbourne moved to APPROVE MONTHLY REPORTS AND PLACE ON FILE, Seconded by Commissioner Ghio.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Chief Morello read a letter of appreciation for Officer Parracino for his calm presence, professionalism, and efficient manner when he was dispatched to a motor vehicle accident.

8. AWARDS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Commissioner Ghio explained to the Board the new award Medical Life Saving Ribbon. This will be awarded to any person who, through effective first aid or otherwise, saves a life or prevents serious injury to another person.

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council Member Tyler mentioned that the Traffic Safety Committee had their first meeting, and there was good dialogue. She stated that the whole purpose of this subcommittee is just so we can be better Police Commissioners and participate in dialogue and better support our Police Department when it comes to anything traffic related.

Council Member Tyler moved to ACCEPT THE TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT AND PLACE ON FILE, Seconded by Commissioner Lemieux.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

9. OLD BUSINESS

9.1 Chief Morello

i. Ivy Drive Complaint

Chief Morello reviewed the Traffic Division's findings regarding the speed complaint on Ivy Drive.

ii. Bristol Police Officer Applicant Recommendation

Chief Morello reviewed the new form for Officer Applicant Recommendations.

9.2 Police Commissioners

None

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 Chief Morello

i. Chief's Report

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

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

ii. Board of Finance Requests

Commissioner Kilbourne moved to APPROVE THE FY23 BULLETPROOF VEST REQUEST TO APPROPRIATE \$24,786, Seconded by Council Member Tyler.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

Commissioner Kilbourne moved to APPROVE THE FY24 BULLETPROOF VEST REQUEST TO APPROPRIATE \$19,741, Seconded by Council Member Tyler.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

iii. Police Officer Standards & Training – Further Waiver of Citizenship Requirement
Chief Morello reviewed the legislation section 7-294e-16© of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, “the Police Officer Standards and Training Council requires, as a condition of appointment to a position of probationary candidate in a law enforcement unit in the State of Connecticut, that the candidate be a citizen of the United States of America.” POSTC has the authority to waive regulations under General Statutes 7-294d(a)(20).

10.2 Police Commissioners

Council Member Tyler made a motion TO ADD COMMISSIONER PAUL LEMIEUX TO THE TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE, Seconded by Commissioner Ghio.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

12. ADJOURNMENT

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

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

The regular meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners called for the 15th day of April, 2025, was
HEREBY ADJOURNED AT 6:26p.m.

Lisa Ziogas
Recording Secretary