

WINDSOR LOCKS POLICE COMMISSION
Minutes of Regular Meeting
September 13, 2017

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Commissioners present:	Michael Hannaford, Ricardo Rachele, James Szepanski, Dan Squires, Michael Perry and Andrew Kulas
Commissioners absent:	None
Also Present:	Chief Eric Osanitsch

- 1) Call to Order – Chairman Hannaford called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was observed.
- 3) Public Input –

Michael Bracken – 12 Tinker Drive – 1) Mr. Bracken questioned why his complaints were not on the Agenda and why they were not distributed to members of the Commission for review; 2) Mr. Bracken asked Chairman Hannaford to step down as Commissioner for holding what he believes are illegal meetings; 3) He again asked why his conspiracy theory regarding his termination in 2007 is not being investigated.

William Rousseau – 407 Elmwood – 1) Mr. Rousseau agrees with Mr. Bracken’s accusations of obstruction by Chairman Hannaford; 2) Mr. Rousseau requested the Commission instruct the Chief to unblock his emails; 3) Mr. Rousseau expressed his dissatisfaction with the lack of detail he was given as a result of multiple FOI requests involving the 2016 Incident Log, the retirement packages of resigned Officers, his request for information regarding expenses attached to special task forces, and the budget.

John Blinn – 371 Elm – Mr. Blinn wanted to thank Chairman Hannaford and the Commission for the great job they are doing. He also wanted to thank the WLPD for their response to an incident at his house recently.

David Ames – 5 Ross Way – Mr. Ames requested a sign be posted at the traffic circle on Ross Way to instruct drivers to go around the circle and not cut through it. Chief Osanitsch stated he would connect with Public Works to resolve the issue.

- 4) Approval of the minutes for the regular meeting of August 9, 2017.

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 9, 2017 as presented.
James Szepanski
All in Favor,
Motion Passed 6/0

Seconded by Dan Squires

5) New Business – None

- a) Request for approval to begin training of Narcotic Detection K-9.

Chief Osanitsch explained that he would like to add a Narcotic Detection K-9 to the force which would be owned and trained through a task force. He explained minimal costs would be involved and those costs would be paid for by Asset Forfeiture and not the town budget.

Commissioner Rachele had reservations about acquiring the K-9 at this time because it is not part of the current budget. He believes it may go against the Town Charter.

MOTION: To approve the proposal and allow the task force to acquire a Narcotic Detection K-9.

Dan Squires
Five in Favor, One Opposed (RR)
Motion Passed 5/1

Seconded by Andrew Kulas

- b) Commission approval to continue WLPD involvement/membership in regional computer crimes unit (CT Center for Digital Investigations).

MOTION: For the Police Commission to approve the continuation of the WLPD involvement/membership in the regional computer crimes unit.

James Szepanski
All in Favor,
Motion Passed 6/0

Seconded by Michael Perry

6) Old Business –

Commissioner Szepanski questioned why the speed cushions were still installed on Center Street. It was explained that Fall Ball games were still being played.

7) Commissioner Comments –

Commissioner Perry explained to Mr. Bracken that he asked to see his complaint once he read about it on Mr. Bracken's public Facebook page. He then expressed his disgust with the fact that anyone would continuously use the untimely death of a 13 year old boy to promote their own agenda. Commissioner Perry added that Mr. Bracken's complaint regarding his termination from the WLPD was resolved years ago and that he is continuing to beat a dead horse.

Commissioner Rachele asked that all future complaints against anyone on the Commission be distributed to all the Commissioners.

Commissioner Perry thanked the Chief and the WL Police for helping to bring Navy Sailor Dustin Doyon home to his final resting place.

8) Adjournment –

MOTION: To adjourn at 6:35 pm.
James Szepanski
All in Favor, Motion Passed 6/0

Seconded by Andrew Kulas

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Pfaffenbichler
Recording Secretary