



# ***Derby Police Commission***

**Derby, Connecticut 06418**

Commission

Thomas E. DeGennaro, Chairman  
Denise A. Bottone  
John Mastrianni, Sr.  
Terri Kuskowski, Secretary

Traffic Authority

Thomas E. DeGennaro  
Denise A. Bottone  
John Mastrianni, Sr.



A meeting of the Derby Board of Police Commissioners was held on 11 AUG 14 at City Hall, 1 Elizabeth Street, Derby.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Commissioner DeGennaro.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

Present were Commissioners DeGennaro, Mastrianni, and Bottone. Also present were Chief Narowski and Deputy Chief Todd.

3. Public Portion

Mr. Sill – 73 Grove Avenue (a Derby alderman) – He spoke regarding his request for a crosswalk in the area of Hawthorne and Chatfield. Derby Public Works has cleared some of the brush that was covering the sidewalk. He is hoping that the Board would consider his request. Commissioner DeGennaro stated that it was brought to the Board before and that after an investigation, it was recommended by the LTA to not create a sidewalk in that area. However, now that the area has been cleaned up and there is a sidewalk there, he feels that there should be a crosswalk at the intersection as well.

Chief Narowski said it would cost approximately \$12,000-\$24,000 to create these crosswalks in order to be ADA compliant and there is no funding for it. Chief Narowski and DC Todd advised the Board to discuss the liability issue and financial availability with corporation counsel.

Commissioner DeGennaro will meet with the Mayor to discuss grant funding options in addition to speaking with corporation counsel.

4. Deletion, correction, adoption of agenda

Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to accept the agenda as is. Commissioner Mastrianni seconded and the motion carried.

5. Acceptance of Previous Meeting's Minutes

- 14 JUL 14

Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to accept the minutes. Commissioner Bottone seconded and the motion carried.

6. Old Business

Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to approve Mr. Sill's request for crosswalks on Chatfield and Hawthorne Avenue pending discussing the legality of the installation with corporation counsel and financial availability. Mr. Mastrianni seconded and the motion carried.

Commissioner DeGennaro asked about the status of the Rt 34 food truck request. Chief Narowski and DC Todd believed that the request went to the Board of Aldermen, but did not know the outcome.

#### 7. New Business

Commissioner Bottone discussed the Recreation Camp on Rt 34. Last week a group of children were bused in from Naugatuck to the camp. The bus driver pulled onto the side of the road and had his lights on. Drivers continued to pass the bus and Commissioner Bottone received multiple complaints. There is not enough camp staff to provide crossing assistance. She asked if a police officer could park on the side of the road between 9:10 to 9:30 am. Chief Narowski stated that the Recreation Camp is a private entity and the Department/City charges for police service. If the Board was to donate police services to this entity, then it opens the door for other businesses to expect free police coverage. The Police Department can not authorize a private entity to provide crossing services since that is a State road. Chief Narowski discussed options of moving the crosswalk and installation of pedestrian crossing lights, but there are significant financial costs associated with that. Commissioner Bottone said she will contact the United Way to see if they have available funding.

Commissioner Mastrianni requested a monthly overtime report starting next month. He forwarded the chief a memo with what details he is looking for. He wants to analyze the overtime on a monthly basis.

#### 8. Department Reports

Chief Narowski updated the commissioners on the department's patrol activity. He also reviewed the status of the police department's current budget.

DC Todd updated the Board on several issues. A new down tilt antenna is being installed to help with the radio communications. The antenna was \$6000 and covered under capital expenses. If this does not repair the communication issues, the Department will be asking the City for permission to have a radio consultant evaluate the system as the issues are now becoming an officer safety issue.

DC Todd stated that Capital Planning approved the restoration of the cell block floor. The Department is working on the bid specs. Two new police cruisers were also approved and delivery is expected soon.

Nexgen 911 is a new mandated system being installed by the state and they will not install it until the Department can control the temperature in the room the equipment is installed. The Department will be asking Capital Planning if there are funds to correct the temperature the issue.

Chief Narowski stated that he is going to attend a Board of Aldermen sub-committee meeting tomorrow regarding vendor permits. Additionally, he is trying to get an ordinance passed regarding renewals of sale of alcohol permits and trying to raise the bid threshold.

9. Communications

There were no communications.

10. Traffic Authority Business

There was no traffic authority business discussed.

11. Executive Session

A motion to go into executive session at 7:18 PM and have Chief Narowski and Deputy Chief Todd present was made by Commissioner DeGennaro, seconded by Commissioner Bottone, and carried unanimously. The purpose of the executive session was to discuss the following item:

- Personnel Updates

The meeting was reopened at 7:32 PM.

12. Adjournment

Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to adjourn, Commissioner Bottone seconded, and the motion carried at 7:32 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Kuskowski

*These minutes are subject to the Board's approval at their next scheduled meeting.*