

Derby Police Commission

Derby, Connecticut 06418

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A meeting of the Derby Board of Police Commissioners was held on 10 NOV 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, Bottone, and Mastrianni. Also present were Chief Narowski and Deputy Chief Todd.

3. Public Portion

Steve Jonas of 66 Hawthorne Avenue spoke regarding the school bus sign that the Board approved. His daughter presented each commissioner as well as Chief Narowski and Deputy Chief Todd with pictures and thank you letters.

4. Deletion, correction, adoption of agenda

Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to accept the agenda as is and Commissioner Bottone seconded. The motion carried without further discussion.

5. Acceptance of Previous Meeting's Minutes

Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to accept the minutes from the 06 OCT 14 meeting. Commissioner Bottone seconded and the motion carried.

6. Retirement Recognition

The commissioners recognized the retirements of Edward Wabno, Kenneth Dupke and Charles Stankye, III. They were thanked for all their years of service and presented with retired badges and IDs.

7. Old Business

Chief Narowski gave a presentation on a request that was received to change the traffic direction of Minerva Street.

8. Public Portion

Public discussion was held regarding the traffic direction change request on Minerva Street. Several members of the public spoke. Of the 24 people in attendance, 6 were in favor of the direction change. After some discussion, it was determined that the residents' main concern was the intersection of Water Street at Caroline Street. Several options were discussed regarding previous requests for signage at that intersection. The Board will discuss the intersection with

Public Works to determine if there is anything they can do to keep that corner area clean of bushes, grass, etc.

Commissioner DeGennaro closed public portion at 7:20 PM.

Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to table the direction reversal of Minerva Street. Commissioner Bottone seconded and the motion carried.

9. New Business

No new business was discussed.

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10. Department Reports

Chief Narowski updated the commissioners on the department's patrol activity and reviewed the status of the police department's budget. Chief Narowski also reviewed the previous month's overtime expenditure at the request of Commissioner Mastrianni.

11. Communications

No communications were received.

12. Traffic Authority Business

The Board requested that the Police Department create a LTA request form and for it to be available on the department's website.

The Board discussed the LTA report.

1. This Department has received several complaints from residents that traffic is exiting the new Checkers convenience store onto Fifth Street and traveling the wrong way (west). Fifth Street between Olivia Street and Elizabeth Street in one-way heading west to east. Traffic is exiting the parking lot onto Fifth Street and heading west. In order to avoid a head on traffic accident, I recommend the LTA approve the installation of a one way directional arrow sign.

Commissioner Mastrianni motioned to approve the installation of a one way directional arrow sign per the recommendation of SGT Boulton. Commissioner Bottone seconded and the motion carried.

2. Two residents of Sodom Lane have requested a blind drive way sign. These residences are 75 feet from a three-way stop intersection. Additionally, the standard is not to install such signage because it is generally ignored and provides the homeowner with a false sense of security. I recommend the LTA deny this sign request.

Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to deny the blind drive way sign request per the recommendation of SGT Boulton. Commissioner Bottone seconded and the motion carried.

3. A resident of 34 Bank Street requested to have a handicap parking space placed in front of 29 Bank Street. The resident requests this location because there is no parking permitted on the side of the street where the resident resides. The resident did

provide proof of a valid CT handicap permit. Where the parking space is requested, Bank Street is two way traffic heading north and south, and has a curb to curb width of 22 feet. The standard width of a handicap parking space is 15 feet wide including 5 feet of cross hatch ground markings. By following these standards a parked vehicle will occupy two-thirds of the roadway reducing the road to one lane of travel and creating a hazardous driving situation. Furthermore the resident does have access to off-street parking. I recommend the LTA deny this request.

Commissioner Mastrianni motioned to deny the handicap parking space request per the recommendation of SGT Boulton. Commissioner DeGennaro seconded and the motion carried.

13. Executive Session

A motion to go into executive session at 7:53 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 reopened to the public at 8:36 PM.

14. Adjournment

Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to adjourn, Commissioner Bottone seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Kuskowski

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

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