

**MINUTES
BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY
REGULAR MEETING
CITY HALL AUDITORIUM
August 1, 2018**

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A **REGULAR MEETING** of the Board of Public Safety was held in the City Hall Auditorium on Wednesday, August 1, 2018.

Those in attendance included Mayor Elinor Carbone and Commissioners Darlene Battle, Douglas Benedetto, Robert Conforti, Glenn McLeod, and Angelo LaMonica. Commissioner Richard Zaharek was absent.

Also present were Acting Police Chief Wayne Newkirk, Fire Chief Peter Towey, Deputy Fire Chief David Tripp, Campion Ambulance Director of Operations Fred Rosa, Fire Marshal Edward Bascetta, Director of Personnel & Labor Relations Atty. Mark Dumas, and Personnel Assistant Kelley Pleil.

Mayor Carbone called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner LaMonica, the Board voted unanimously to enter Executive Session, pursuant to C.G.S. §1-200(6)(A), to discuss the appointment of Police Department personnel at 6:35 p.m. Also included were Atty. Mark Dumas and Personnel Assistant Kelley Pleil.

On a motion by Commissioner McLeod, seconded by Commissioner LaMonica, the Board voted unanimously to enter Open Session at 6:59 p.m. Mayor Carbone informed those in attendance that the Executive Session would reconvene at the end of the meeting.

MINUTES

On a motion by Commissioner Conforti, seconded by Commissioner McLeod, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of the Regular meeting held June 6, 2018.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner Conforti, the Board voted unanimously to open the meeting to the public. No one from the public wished to speak.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

On a motion by Commissioner Conforti, seconded by Commissioner McLeod, the Board voted unanimously to accept Fire Chief Towey's reports.

On a motion by Commissioner Battle, seconded by Commissioner Benedetto, the Board voted unanimously to accept Deputy Fire Chief Tripp's report.

On a motion by Commissioner Conforti, seconded by Commissioner Benedetto, the Board voted unanimously to accept Training Officer Shoppey's report.

On a motion by Commissioner Conforti, seconded by Commissioner McLeod, the Board voted unanimously to accept the Emergency Management report.

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner Conforti, the Board voted unanimously to accept the Fire Marshal's reports.

On a motion by Commissioner McLeod, seconded by Commissioner Conforti, the Board voted unanimously to accept the Acting Police Chief's reports.

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner McLeod, the Board voted unanimously to accept Officer Pisarski's Traffic Operations Unit report.

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner McLeod, the Board voted unanimously to accept the EMS Provider Activity reports.

BUSINESS: VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS

On a motion by Commissioner Conforti, seconded by Commissioner McLeod, the Board voted unanimously to consider business by the Volunteer Fire Departments.

Drakeville Fire Chief Michael Maccalous reported that the Department's last charter member, Louis P. Miller, Sr. passed away after serving the Drakeville Volunteer Fire Department since 1949.

Mayor Carbone presented a Certificate of Special recognition for fifty years of service to Chief Maccalous.

BUSINESS: MAYOR & MEMBERS

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner McLeod, the Board voted unanimously to consider business by the Mayor and Members of the Board of Public Safety.

Commissioners LaMonica, Benedetto, Conforti, and McLeod gave their condolences to Commissioner Battle for the loss of her husband. Commissioner Battle thanked everyone and all commissioners gave their condolences to the Drakeville VFD for the loss of their charter member Lou Miller. The commissioners congratulated Chief Maccalous on fifty years of service.

BUSINESS: DEPARTMENT HEADS

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner McLeod, the Board voted unanimously to consider business by Department Heads.

Acting Police Chief Newkirk announced that there will be three events during the month of August and invited the Board to attend the D.A.R.E. car show on August 3rd, National Night Out on August 7th, and a Cops and Kids event for P.A.L. on August 14th.

Fire Chief Towey reported on a structure fire that occurred at 500 Ledge Drive in Torrington and stated that there was a separate incident of cardiac revival recently. Chief Towey briefly discussed plans for moving forward with the vehicle replacement process and stated that the Department will be going out to bid for new uniforms.

Commissioner McLeod expressed his concerns regarding traffic on the corner of Charles Street and East Main Street and suggested that the Fire Department generate a plan to address habitual calls.

MOTION

On a motion by Commissioner McLeod, seconded by Commissioner LaMonica, the Board voted unanimously to request that the Fire Chief examine and bring forth a recommendation as to how the Department can mitigate repeat or habitual calls.

EXECUTIVE SESSION


On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner McLeod, the Board voted unanimously to enter Executive Session, pursuant to C.G.S. §1-200(6)(A), to reconvene their discussion regarding the appointment of Police Department personnel at 7:19 p.m. Also included were Atty. Mark Dumas and Personnel Assistant Kelley Pleil.

On a motion by Commissioner McLeod, seconded by Commissioner LaMonica, the Board voted unanimously to return to Open Session at 8:23 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner LaMonica the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jonathan R. Draper, Asst. City Clerk

ATTEST: 
CAROL L. ANDERSON, MMC
CITY CLERK