

**MINUTES
BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY
REGULAR MEETING
CITY HALL AUDITORIUM / ZOOM
November 3, 2021**

Approved by the Board of Public Safety
Date: February 2, 2022
Vote: Unanimous

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A **REGULAR MEETING** of the Board of Public Safety was held in the City Hall auditorium on Wednesday, November 3, 2021. Attendance was in-person and by Zoom. The meeting was attended in-person by Mayor Elinor Carbone, Interim Fire Chief David Tripp, Police Chief William Baldwin, Police Capt. Bart Barown, Trinity Health EMS Manager Jeff Ganung, and Board of Public Safety Commissioners Douglas Benedetto, Joseph McElroy, Glenn McLeod and Dustin Bingham and Gregg Cogswell. Commissioner Darlene Battle attended via Zoom. Drakeville VFD Chief David Maccalous and Tarringford VFD Commissioners Scott Mills were also in attendance.

Mayor Carbone called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner Cogswell, the Board voted unanimously to open the meeting to the public.

Kevin Hayes noted that parking on Prospect Street presents a danger for the schools.

PURCHASE POLICE INTERCEPTORS

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner Bingham, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Purchasing Agent, Fleet Manager and Vehicle Replacement Advisory Board and authorize the Mayor to award the purchase of two Ford Police Interceptors from State Contract #12 PSX 0194, for \$96,765.82 from MHQ of Middletown, CT, pending City Council and Board of Finance approval.

PURCHASE AMMUNITION

On a motion by Commissioner Cogswell, seconded by Commissioner Benedetto, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and Lt. Rouleau to waive the city bid process and authorize the Police Department to purchase ammunition for FY21/22 through the State of Connecticut Contract #19-PSX-0220. This was unanimously approved by City Council on October 18, 2021.

SPAN POLE REPAIR

Pending Board of Finance approval, on a motion by Commissioner McLeod, seconded by Commissioner Bingham, the Board voted unanimously to approve the span pole repair on New Harwinton Rd. and Tarringford W. St. in the amount of \$12,705 from the capital reserve budget line as described in Sgt. Baldis' letter dated Oct. 28, 2021.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORTS

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner McElroy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the Police Chief's reports for September 2021.

INTERIM FIRE CHIEF'S REPORTS: APPROVED

On a motion by Commissioner McElroy, seconded by Commissioner McLeod, the Board voted unanimously to accept the Interim Fire Chief's reports for September 2021.

TRAINING OFFICER'S REPORTS: APPROVED

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner McElroy, the Board voted unanimously to accept Training Officer Shopey's reports for September 2021.

FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORTS: APPROVED

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner McLeod, the Board voted unanimously to accept Fire Marshal Bascetta's reports for September 2021.

EMS PROVIDER ACTIVITY REPORTS: APPROVED

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner Bingham, the Board voted unanimously to accept the EMS provider activity reports for September 2021. Mr. Ganung explained some of their response times. Mayor Carbone noted that the PSA was given to Trinity. She said an EMS committee and Interim Fire Chf. Tripp will monitor response times.

BUSINESS BY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner McElroy, the Board voted unanimously to consider business by the volunteer fire departments. Drakeville VFD Chief Maccalous and Tarringford VFD Commissioner Gary Delmonte listed some of the calls to which they responded.

BUSINESS BY DEPARTMENT HEADS

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner Bingham, the Board voted unanimously to consider business by Department Heads. Chief Baldwin, Interim Fire Chief Tripp and EMS Manager Ganung gave the latest updates from their departments.

BUSINESS BY THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

On a motion by Commissioner Benedetto, seconded by Commissioner Cogswell, the Board voted unanimously to consider business by the Mayor and members of the Board of Public Safety. Members congratulated the newly re-elected, thanked the volunteer firefighters and other departments for doing a good job and requested an increase in traffic enforcement. Mayor Carbone updated the board on the Fire Chief hiring process, the Deputy Police Chief position and the need to gather data to improve the retention of public safety employees.

A moment of silence was observed to remember recently deceased Firefighter George Cerruto.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioner McElroy, seconded by Commissioner Benedetto, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Carol L. Anderson
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CITY CLERK