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**ORANGE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICE  
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

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COMMISSIONER ROY CUZZOCREO  
COMMISSIONER CHRISTOPHER CARVETH

COMMISSIONER JOHN BARTON

COMMISSIONER MARIAN HURLEY  
COMMISSIONER NYJAHWAHN WALKER

**BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
Immediately following Traffic Authority Meeting  
Monday May 8, 2023**

**Unapproved Minutes**

Commission Chairman Barton called the meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners to order at 4:39 p.m.

**Commissioners Present:**

Commissioner Jack Barton  
Commissioner Christopher Carveth (joined at 4:46)  
Commissioner Nyjahwahn Walker  
Commissioner Roy Cuzzocreo  
Commissioner Marian Hurley

**Commissioners Absent:**

**Also Present:**

Police Chief Robert Gagne  
Assistant Chief Max Martins  
Kathy Gulia, Board Secretary

**Minutes**

Commissioner Hurley seconded by Commissioner Walker, made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2023 Board of Police Commissioners Meeting. **The motion unanimously.**

**Reports**

**Activity of the Department:** Assistant Chief Martins discussed April statistics with the Commissioners. The Board was informed that there were 40 criminal arrests and 113 motor vehicle citations. There were no burglaries and 1 stolen motor vehicle. In addition, there were 35 larcenies and 81 motor vehicle accidents. There were 3,366 calls for service that generated 539 written reports. Assistant Chief Martins commented that motor vehicle accidents increased which is typical for this time of year.

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### **Reports (continued)**

Chief Gagne reported that the Records Division took in report sales of \$159.00, \$1,190.00 in permits, \$100.00 in parking tags and fingerprints of \$70.00 for a total of \$1,519.00.

### **Expenditures**

Chief Gagne highlighted expenditures for April emphasizing that many payments related to IT and recruitment expenses. He detailed several software purchase as well as books, uniforms and medical training for recruits. In addition, the expense for 2 motorcycles is not coming from our budget but rather an account set up by Finance from the general fund.

### **Budget Balances**

Chief Gagne advised that the budget is in good order, we have just a couple of months left in this fiscal year and there are no concerns.

### **Old Business**

DEA Take Back: Chief Gagne advised that we worked with CERT and a lot of medications were turned in.

2023-2024 Budget: Chief Gagne advised the board that the Town only removed an expense for a server and vehicles, but has already funded both. The Referendum will be held May 17, 2023. He also discussed that First Selectman Zeoli will be discussing the purchase of vehicles from a Massachusetts vendor since none are available in Connecticut with the Board of Selectman.

Citizens Academy: Due to lack of participants the academy will be postponed until the fall.

### **New Business**

Paugusset Family Day: This event happened Saturday and we participated with a police vehicle that people were able to touch and explore.

K-9 Program: Chief Gagne advised the Board that we want to replace our K-9 and restart our program. Officer Correia has been selected and we anticipate the dog will arrive this summer and their training will begin after Labor Day. Training is run by the CT State Police.

### **Correspondence**

Letter from Chief Gagne to the Dispatchers thanking them and acknowledging Telecommunicators Week. Thank you note and edible arrangement from the New Haven Islamic Center.

Thank you letter from Chief Gagne to the New Haven Islamic Center

Thank you letter to Det. Knepper from the Orange Lions Club for his assistance at the Easter Egg Hunt

Thank you letter from Charles Sherwood to Chief Gagne thanking Off. Cavanaugh for serving on the oral board panel for the Town of New Canaan.

Thank you letter from Charles Sherwood to Chief Gagne thanking Det. Peterson for serving as an oral board panelist for the rank of Recruit Police Officer.

Thank you letter from Charles Sherwood to Chief Gagne thanking Lt. LaPlante for serving as an oral board panelist for the position of Lead Dispatcher.

Thank you letter from Joan Stenner to Officers Ristaino and DeClement for their assistance on a medical call for her husband.

**Personnel**

Commissioner Cuzzocreo seconded by Commissioner Walker made a motion to enter Executive Session at 4:57 p.m. **The motion passed unanimously.** The Board invited Chief Gagne and Assistant Chief Max Martins into Executive Session.

Board secretary Kathy Gulia left the meeting at 4:58 p.m.

Commissioner Hurley, seconded by Commissioner Carveth made a motion to bring the Board out of Executive Session at 5:23 p.m. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Commissioner Carveth, seconded by Commissioner Cuzzocreo made a motion to promote Vincent Landisio to the rank of Sergeant. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Commissioner Walker seconded by Commissioner Cuzzocreo, made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:24 p.m. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Gulia, Board Secretary