



**Town of Waterford, Connecticut, Police Commission Meeting Agenda**

**Waterford Town Hall Auditorium**

**10/13/26 5:00 pm**

Call to order and establish quorum:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Public input:

Acceptance of minutes: September 14, 2026 Regular Meeting

Correspondence:

- a. Email from Sgt. Matthew Fedor recognizing several officers for a job well done
- b. Correspondence from a citizen expressing deep gratitude for officers handling of a situation

Traffic Commission Review:

Chief's Report:

- a. Training Report for September
- b. K9 Reports for September
- c. Youth Report for September
- d. Investigative Services Report for September
- e. Support Services Report for September
- f. Patrol Report for September
- g. Animal Control Report for September
- h. Community Engagement Report for September

Old Business:

None

New Business:

- a. Introduction of intern Ilanna Falcigno, a student at CT State Community College
- b. Review of 2027 Meeting Schedule
- c. Executive Session for police officer candidate interviews and possible action



**MINUTES  
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

September 14, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Commissioner C. Gamble, Commissioner J. Dimmock, Commissioner R. Brule,  
Commissioner M. Gelinas

**ABSENT:** Commissioner T. Sheridan

**DEPARTMENT:** Chief D. Ferland, LT N. VanOverloop, LT P. Flanagan, LT A. Farrior,  
Training Officer M. Bellos

**CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM:**

Commissioner Gamble called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium. A Quorum was established.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:**

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Dimmock and seconded by Commissioner Gelinas to accept the August 10, 2026 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion passed.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Correspondence was reviewed.

**TRAFFIC COMMISSION REVIEW:**

Traffic Report was received.

**CHIEF'S REPORT:**

- a. Training Report for August  
August report was received.
- b. K9 Reports for August  
August report was received.
- c. Youth Reports for August  
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- d. Investigative Services for August  
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- h. Community Engagement Report for August  
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**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Chief Ferland updated the Commission on the current use of ALPR cameras and upcoming legislation.

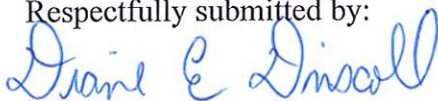
**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Dimmock and seconded by Commissioner Gelinas to enter into Executive Session and at 5:29 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 5:44 p.m.

No votes or actions were taken while in Executive Session.

**MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Dimmock and seconded by Commissioner Gelinas to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:



Diane E. Driscoll  
Recording Secretary

**From:** Matthew Fedor <[mafedor@waterfordct.org](mailto:mafedor@waterfordct.org)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 5, 2026 11:15 PM  
**To:** Andrew Farrior <[AFarrior@waterfordct.org](mailto:AFarrior@waterfordct.org)>  
**Cc:** Patrick Flanagan <[pflanagan@waterfordct.org](mailto:pflanagan@waterfordct.org)>  
**Subject:** Marine Patrol - Capsized Boat - 3 People Rescued

LT's

CFS 2600034763

On 9/5/26 at approximately 1030 AM, Det Carroll and Ofc Fredricks were working Marine Patrol. Upon conducting their routine patrol past Millstone, Det Carroll observed a capsized sailboat. They quickly responded and were able to rescue three people out of the water. The subjects, who were floating in their lifejackets, advised they had been in the water for approximate 30 minutes with no way of calling for assistance. Det Carroll and Ofc Fredricks transported the subjects to their mooring and no injuries/medical attention was required.

I did not learn about this until later in the day, but I do believe they should be recognized for their quick and coordinated response that rescued three people that were in dangerous situation.

**Sergeant Matthew Fedor #S17**  
**Waterford (CT) Police Department**  
**41 Avery Lane Waterford CT 06385**  
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## Diane Driscoll

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**From:** David Ferland  
**Sent:** Monday, September 14, 2026 4:07 PM  
**To:** Diane Driscoll  
**Subject:** FW: Online Form Submittal: General Online Report

Chief,

Please see the below correspondence from a citizen regarding the handling of a call for a juvenile experiencing an emotional crisis on Sunday 09/13. The juvenile is a foster child that was placed at the home by DCF and she had been exhibiting some concerning behaviors. As is often the case, the concerning behaviors fell short of the requirements for an emergency committal, but the officers were able to convince her to go the hospital voluntarily. The citizen was unable to catch the names of the officers, however I reviewed the BWC footage and determined it was Officer Ewing and Officer Morgan. The citizen couldn't have described how the officers handled the call any better. Every part of the call was handled with extreme care and compassion. Officer Ewing was primary and handled the call perfectly. After determining the course of action, Officer Ewing began gathering the necessary info/names from the caller. While he did that, Officer Morgan remained with the juvenile. While Officer Morgan was with the juvenile he engaged her in conversation and continued to add to the rapport that Officer Ewing established. The officers are definitely deserving of recognition for how they handled this call.

Diane, could you please add this to the agenda for next month's Police Commission Meeting. Thank you.

Lieutenant Andrew Farrior #L

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**From:** [noreply@civicplus.com](mailto:noreply@civicplus.com) <[noreply@civicplus.com](mailto:noreply@civicplus.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 14, 2026 12:10 AM  
**To:** Sergeants Office <[wpd@waterfordct.org](mailto:wpd@waterfordct.org)>; David Ferland <[dferland@waterfordct.org](mailto:dferland@waterfordct.org)>; Patrick Flanagan <[pflanagan@waterfordct.org](mailto:pflanagan@waterfordct.org)>; Nicole VanOverloop <[nvanoverloop@waterfordct.org](mailto:nvanoverloop@waterfordct.org)>; Andrew Farrior <[AFarrior@waterfordct.org](mailto:AFarrior@waterfordct.org)>  
**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: General Online Report

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### General Online Report

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|------------|----------------------|
| First Name | Shawn                |
| Last Name  | ██████               |
| Address    | ████████████████████ |
| Birth Date | ██████               |

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| If other, please explain              | Officer Recognition Expressing Gratitude of Exceptional De-escalation & Care                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| Do you need to speak with an officer? | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Please Provide Details                | <p>I am reaching out to express my deepest gratitude for the officers who responded to a non-emergency call at my sisters house late tonight (Sunday, September 13th) regarding a 16-year-old youth in an acute emotional crisis.</p> <p>I specifically requested assistance to help handle a difficult situation, and the officers who arrived went above and beyond in their professionalism, empathy, and care:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* They arrived discreetly without lights, immediately preventing an escalation of stress in the neighborhood and home.</li> <li>* They used incredible de-escalation skills, speaking to the youth with complete respect and dignity. Because of their calm approach, she voluntarily agreed to go with EMS for treatment without panic or force.</li> <li>* Before leaving, one officer took the time to express sympathy and offer a heartfelt apology that he couldn't do more for her in that moment. I assured him that he did exactly what was needed.</li> </ul> <p>The officer's approach, showing up without lights, de-escalating calmly, treating her with dignity, and acknowledging the pain of a broken system, is exactly what trauma-informed policing should look like. In a situation that could have been terrifying and traumatic for a vulnerable teenager, these officers showed true community policing, compassion, and restraint.</p> <p>While I did not catch their names in the moment, I hope you can check the logs to identify these officers and ensure this praise is placed in their personnel files. They deserve to be recognized for their outstanding work.</p> |

With sincere appreciation,  
Shawn

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# The Waterford Police Department

## Traffic Officer Report

### September 2026



#### TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT: 206 Total Traffic Stops

| Officer     | Devine #88 | Reed #93 | Surdo #60 | Total |
|-------------|------------|----------|-----------|-------|
| Infractions | 8          | 62       | 10        | 80    |
| warnings    | 19         | 51       | 43        | 113   |
| misdemeanor | 0          | 12       | 1         | 13    |

\*Officer Surdo was assigned as range officer for two weeks during this period

#### LINE OF SIGHT ISSUES:

- None to report at this time

#### DOT RELATED ISSUES.

- None to report at this time.

#### ENFORCEMENT RELATED COMPLAINTS:

- Complaint on Daniels Ave that vehicle are speeding up and down the hill passing Middle St. and High St.
- Complaint of speeding and crosswalk violations on Route 1 near Vets Field. Ongoing enforcement presence in this area.
- Complaint of excessive car volume on William St. (Dead end). Will be monitoring issues on this road.
- Complaint of dump trucks speeding on Way Hill Rd. No violations observed, roadwork at the end of Butlertown Rd at Montville line has ended and was the probable reason for an increase in dump trucks on this road.

#### REQUESTS FOR SIGNS OR CHANGE OF ROADWAY FEATURES:

- Request for a blind driveway sign at 1071 Hartford Tpke (Route 85). Requester was advised to speak to neighbor about improving the line of sight, or speak with DOT about trimming back some vegetation. The area is a straight away in the area between Charter Oak Credit Union and the Waterford Speedbowl.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Jack O'Keefe Memorial Run (10/3/2026)
- Terry Brodeur Breast Cancer Foundation Walk (10/04/2026)
- Safe Futures Walk (10/04/2026)
- Addy's Run 5k (10/18/2026)

#### UPCOMING ROAD CONSTRUCTION WITH CLOSURE:

- Ongoing roadway construction off Maple Rd and side streets. Reclaiming has been completed and the paving should start in the first week of October.
- Roadway construction for the Mago Point section of town will be ongoing for the first several weeks of October, with reclaiming starting on October 5, 2026.



# The Waterford Police Department

## Traffic Officer Report

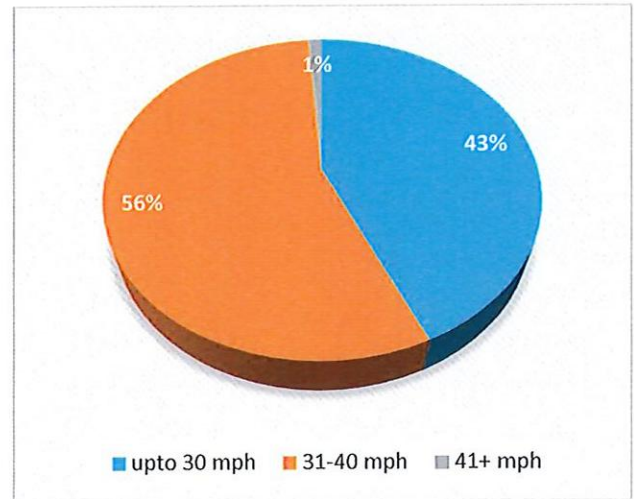
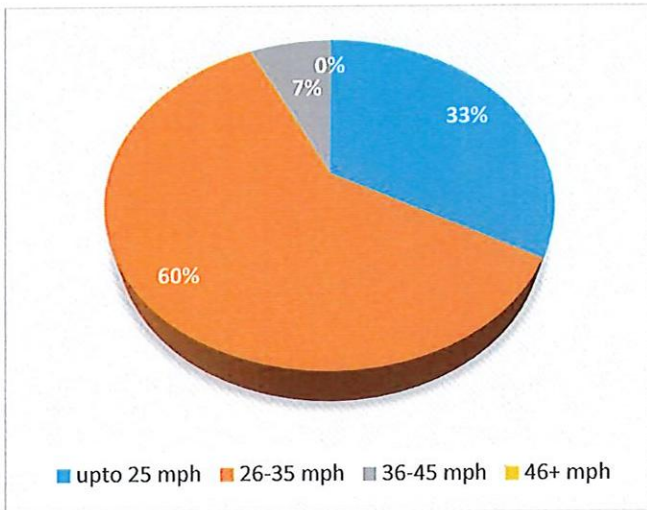
### September 2026



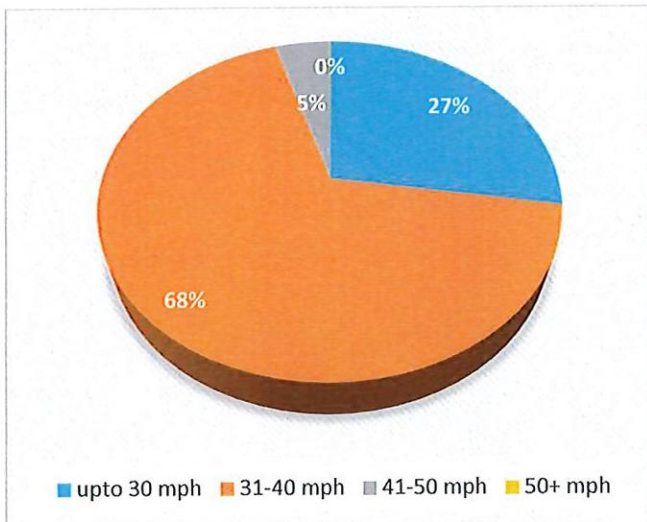
#### SPEED/TRAFFIC SIGN DEPLOYMENT:

Three solar powered speed signs are currently deployed around town at the below listed locations:

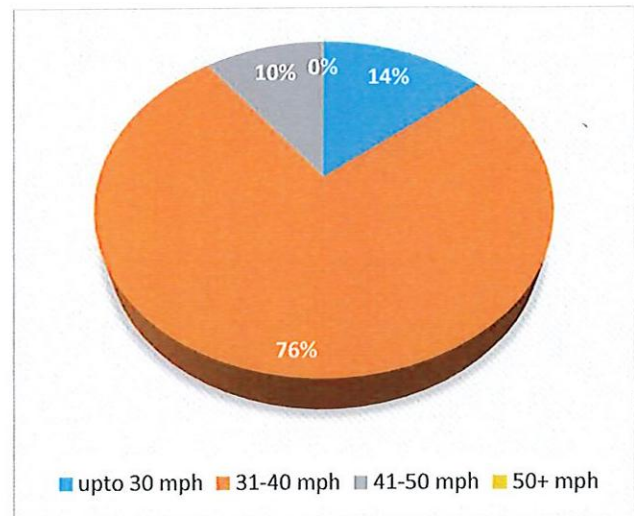
1. Great Neck Road (Route 213) southbound at Great Neck School. (25 mph zone)
3. Spithead Road southbound prior to Daniels Ave. (30 mph zone)



2. Clark Lane southbound near Clark Lane Middle School (30 mph zone)



4. Niantic River Road southbound near Old Niantic River Road. (30 mph Zone)





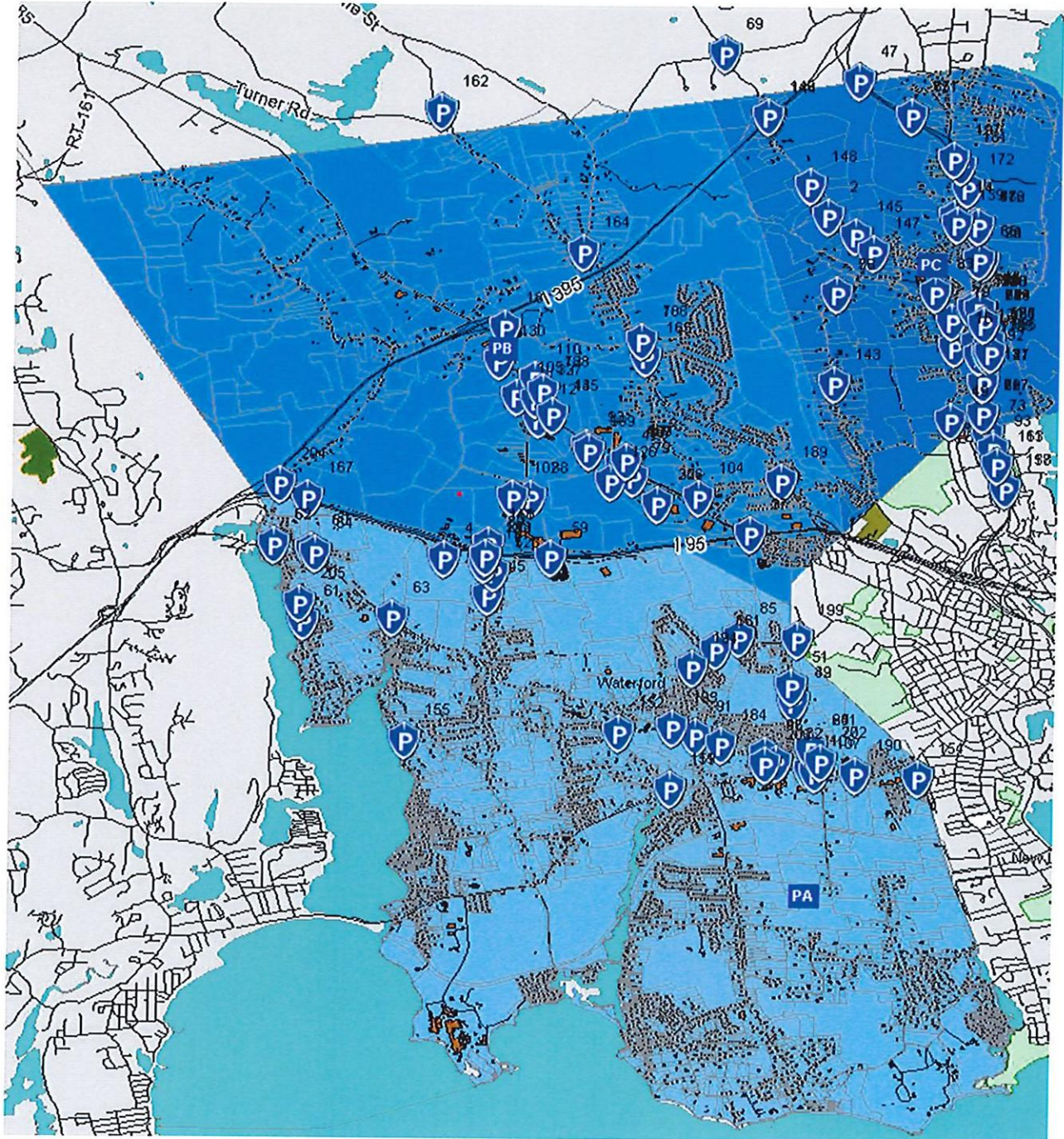
# The Waterford Police Department

## Traffic Officer Report

### September 2026



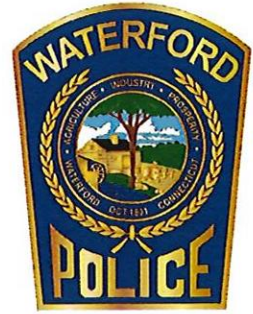
Map of Traffic stops made by the Traffic Unit for the month of September. Areas of concentration are shown to be Route 32, Route 85, Route 1, and Cross Road. Roads such as Clark Lane, Old Norwich Road, Old Colchester Road, Oswegachie Road, and Fog Plain Road were also directed enforcement areas for the month.



## THE WATERFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT



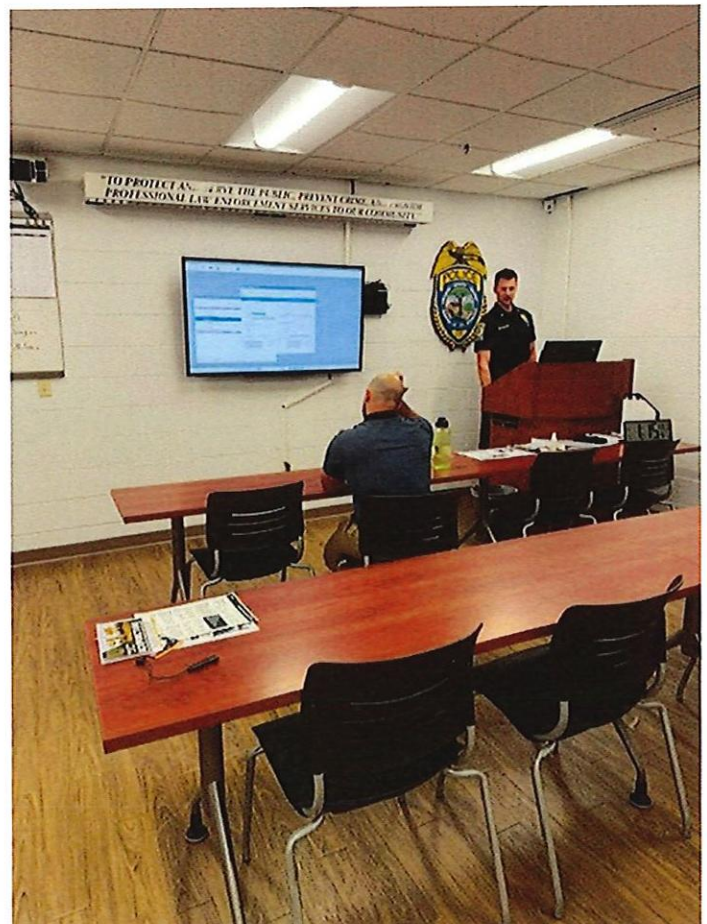
# TRAINING REPORT SEPTEMBER 2026



### New Officer Updates

**Hiring Process:** The Waterford Police Department continues its efforts in recruiting and hiring. Training is holding an active hiring process to fill two current vacancies.

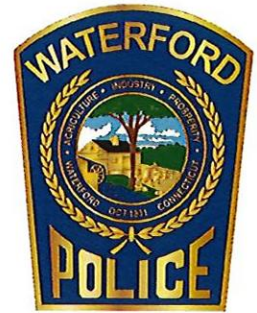
**Recruit Status:** Officer Wojcik has started his abbreviated field training. This will be about four weeks of training, and so far his Field Training Officers have said he is doing very well.



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# TRAINING REPORT SEPTEMBER 2026



Officer Mack, Officer Morgan, Officer Arpin, and Officer Sabilia attended a three-day Rifle Operator Course. This course was taught by our in-house firearms instructors here at the police department and at our firearms range. This class certifies officers to carry a rifle while on patrol.



Officer Epps and Officer Barrows attended a two week Basic Crash Investigation training located at the Bristol Police Department. This class is the first class needed to be part of the Accident Investigation Team and is the first in a series of trainings to potentially become an accident reconstructionist.

Officers attended a hands on use of force roll call training at our police department taught by Officer Fredricks and Detective Bonkowski. This training taught officers various defensive moves and skills to use for if they were to ever be in a situation where they needed to protect themselves from a suspect. Handcuffing training was done as well.



Officer Charron and Officer Jordan attended recertification training. This is a week long training hosted by the Law Enforcement Council (LEC) that gives officers all of the required training they need in order to recertify and maintain their POSTC certification to stay police officers.

The firearms instructors hosted rifle qualifications for the officers at the department that carry a rifle. This is a four hour training that has officers qualify on their rifle as well as go over various shooting exercises to maintain and improve their skills. There are malfunction drills, moving drills, as well as some timed drills for speed just to name a few.



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# K-9 Activity Report

September 2026

### K-9 Ozzy

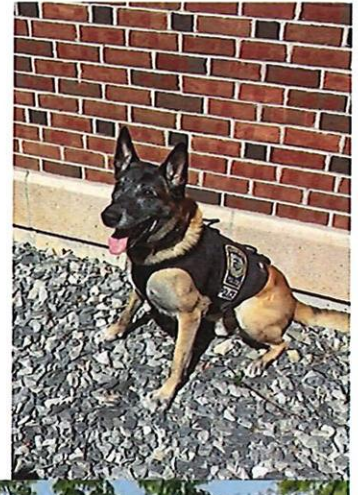
Monthly Uses: 1

2026 Uses: 18

### K-9 Tico

Monthly Uses: 4

2026 Uses: 29



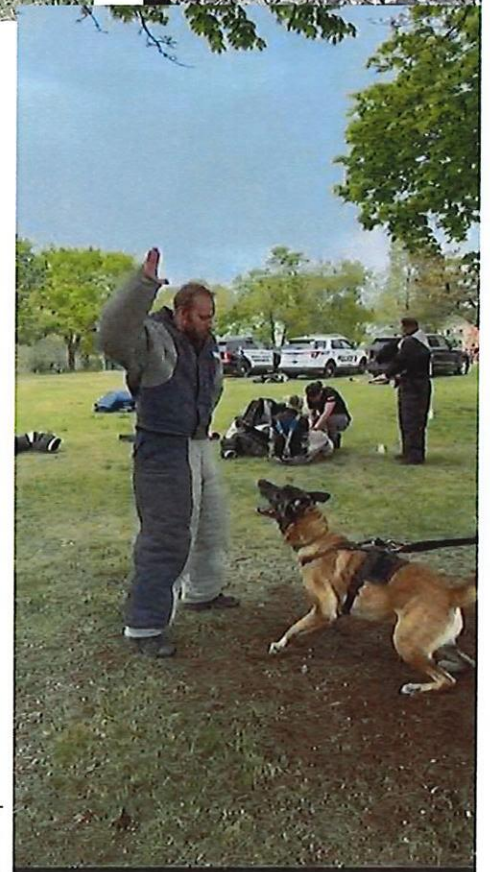
### K-9 Usage

#### Ozzy

- On September 12, 2026, Officer Genung and K9 Ozzy participated in a K9 demo for the Camp Harkness Foundation Fall Festival.

#### Tico

- On September 23, 2026, Officer Surdo conducted a motor vehicle stop and the operator immediately exited the vehicle, failing to obey his verbal commands. The operator was detained and a large knife was located on the back seat. K9 Tico was deployed for an open air sniff of the vehicle and he did not display any alert behavior.
- On September 29, 2026, the Waterford Police Department received a phone call regarding a male driving erratically through a parking lot wearing a mask and holding a knife. The vehicle was located and due to the operator's actions and previous hostile interactions by the operator, a high-risk motor vehicle stop was conducted. Officer Surdo deployed K9 Tico on a leash. The operator was taken into custody after an investigation was conducted.
- On September 29, 2026, Officer Surdo assisted Officer Reed with a motor vehicle stop. K9 Tico was deployed for an exterior open air sniff of the vehicle and showed alert behavior. A hand search was conducted and no contraband was located.
- On September 30, 2026, Officer Surdo assisted Trooper Flanagan of the Connecticut State Police on a motor vehicle stop. Through Trooper Flanagan's investigation, K9 Tico was deployed for an open air sniff of the vehicle and he did not exhibit alert behavior.



### Monthly Training

- Monthly K-9 training was conducted on September 7, 2026 and September 22, 2026 in obedience, tracking, article search, building search, area search, narcotics detections, and apprehension work.



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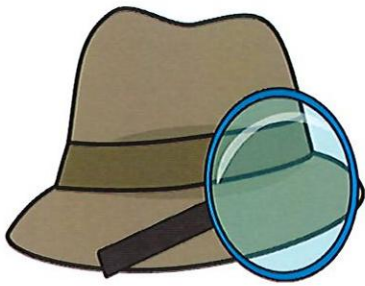
# Youth Office Activity Report



September 2026

- ♦ Officer Malbaurn had to escort a parent off the WHS campus after she became unruly in a meeting with staff. She has since been trespassed.
- ♦ Officer Malbaurn conducted an investigation into the theft of a vape detection device from WHS and it resulted in a juvenile referral to the Youth Diversion Team.
- ♦ Officer Malbaurn assisted staff at the Friendship School with a child custody issue.
- ♦ Officer Malbaurn assisted the School Psychologist with arranging the transport of a student to the hospital for an evaluation.
- ♦ Officer Lane taught an 8th grade class on the dangers of sexting.
- ♦ Officer Lane taught a 7th grade class on the dangers of Driving Under the Influence.
- ♦ Officer Lane chaperoned the Senior Sunrise event at Waterford Beach.
- ♦ Officer Winters conducted lockdown drills at Oswegatchie and Quaker Hill School.
- ♦ Officer Winters did a car seat install.
- ♦ Officer Winters assisted the staff at Quaker Hill School with a child custody issue.





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# Investigative Services Division



September 2026

In the month of September 2026 the Investigative Services Division worked or assisted with 25 investigations.

## Current Active Investigations (18 Cases):

(These numbers do not include assist's to the Patrol Division)

Homicide-1

Pistol/Vendor Permits-4

Burglary-2

Skimmer—1

Scam—1

Fraud—3

Larceny -2

Sex Assault—1

Abuse/Neglect—1

Juvenile Sex Assault—1

Car Breaks—1

## Year to Date Statistical Report

| Case Numbers  | Search Warrants | Background Checks | Arrests           | Sex Assaults |
|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| 48            | 21              | 7                 | 12                | 15           |
| Phone Extract | Auto Theft      | Burglary          | Unattended Deaths | Robbery      |
| 16            | 1               | 2                 | 6                 |              |



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# Investigative Services Division



September 2026

## September 2026 Updates:

Detective Bonkowski attended a week long training in Hoover, Alabama as part of her continuing education in cellular telephone extractions. The National Computer Forensic Institute hosted the training entitled Digital Evidence Investigations. We received a mobile data pilot for the imaging of cellular telephones and extractions for Detective Bonkowski's participation in the training.

As one of our agencies firearms instructors, Detective Carroll was assigned for a week at the Waterford Police Department Firing range while we conducted rifle certifications.

Investigative Services transported a male subject from The Corrigan Radgowki Correctional Center in Montville, Connecticut to the Northern State Correctional Facility in Newport, Vermont. This was after the subject waived his extradition to Connecticut in April of 2026 from Vermont and was transported by Waterford Detectives to complete serving his time in Connecticut.

A female subject was found guilty of depositing over \$410k of stolen funds at a Charter Oak Bank and is awaiting sentencing. This case was run by the United States Treasury Service. The Treasury Service reached out to Detective Bonkowski regarding a cellular telephone that was evidence in the case. Detective Bonkowski completed a cellphone extraction of the cellular telephone then provided the information to the Treasury Service assisting in this case.

Lieutenant VanOverloop attended a Pistol Permit Denial Hearing after it was determined that the person seeking a pistol permit was not deemed suitable. The person then appealed the findings to the Pistol Permit Denial Board. The Board found in favor of the Waterford Police Department.

Senior Supervisory Inspector Michael Shelton from Rocky Hill, CT and Detective Sergeant Avdevich conducted follow up in regards to the Kyle Seidel homicide from 2012.

## September 2026 Investigations:

Investigator McComie responded to the report of a juvenile female sexual assault victim. It was later determined that the juvenile female was having a mental health episode that a sexual assault did not occur.

Detective O'Connell was assigned to investigate a report of a juvenile sexual assault that was reported through The Department of Children and Families. The alleged abuse was occurred while residing with the juvenile's mother in Groton, CT. It was found that the juvenile was now residing with her father in Waterford, CT. The case was referred to the Groton City Police Department.

Detective Carroll was assigned a Community Service Officer Background Investigation. This case is ongoing and near completion.

Investigator McComie was assigned a complaint of inappropriate sexual contact between an employee and a supervisor at a local eatery. This case is ongoing.

Detective O'Connell was assigned a weapons compliance check in regards to an individual who was deemed unfit to possess firearms by the State Special Licensing Unit based on cognitive decline. The individuals spouse was contacted and the issue was rectified.

Detective Carroll was assigned an armed robbery by a male suspect at the Bestway Mobil 6 (RTE 1) The male suspect displayed a knife, and succeeded in acquiring an undisclosed amount of money before fleeing of foot.



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## Community Engagement Report

### September 2026



**Internship:** Intern Falcigno shadowed the Records Department, Investigative Services, Dispatch, and Evening Shift. She attended LEC Academy defensive tactics training and Waterford Police rifle qualifications. She was given a tour of the POST Academy.

**Interaction with Youth Services:** Spoke about the Role of Police at Youth Promise.

**Advance Services Programs:** Conducting bi-annual follow-ups for all registrants. One new registrant added to the program.

**Interaction with Senior Services:** Visited New London Rehab. Attended Senior Beach Day.

**Domestic Violence Follow-ups:** Conducted 6 follow-ups with DV victims.



**K-9 Officer Hodges:** Visited Ledyard High School after the untimely passing of a teacher. Attended a Groton HR Wellness Event, CT Veterans Stand Down Event, Niantic River Boat Launch Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, and a Conn College Wellness Fair. Visited North Stonington Elementary School multiple times after the untimely passing of a student. Held Read to Hodges at the Waterford Library.

**Officer Wellness:** Taught Gracie Survival Tactics at the LEC Police Academy. Presented an Officer Wellness/Peer Support Introduction to a new officer. Helped organize a day for the chaplains to grill for the officers.

**Camp Harkness Fall Fest:** Organized police comfort dogs to attend and a Patrol K-9 Demo to happen at the event.

**Interaction with Youth Officers:** Attended Waterford High School Picture Day and Drinking & Sexting Prevention Classes at Clark Lane Middle School.

**Coffee with a Cop:** Organized first responders and citizens have causal conversations at the Waterford Community Center. Free coffee and donuts were provided. Brought Hodges to the Three Rivers Community College Coffee with a Cop.

**Defensive Tactics Roll Call Training:** Taught Waterford Police Officers various Gracie Survival Tactics for defensive tactics roll call training.

**Tip A Cop:** Organized event where officers volunteered as wait staff at Longhorn to raise \$1,383 for the Connecticut Special Olympics.

**Recruiting:** Held a recruitment session at Quinnipiac University.



# Support Services Report

September 2026



## Records Activity

|                          |     |       |
|--------------------------|-----|-------|
| FOI Requests             | 78  | -31%  |
| Warrants                 | 21  | -25%  |
| Phone Calls              | 89  | -12%  |
| Walk in Assists          | 83  | -7%   |
| Background Checks        | 15  | +15%  |
| Protective Orders        | 28  | -40%  |
| Officer Tasking Requests | 29  | -3%   |
| Case Erasures            | 676 | +100% |
| DCF Requests             | 3   | +200% |
| Court Requests           | 8   | -80%  |
| Abstracts                | 360 | +26%  |
| Video Requests           | 360 | +26%  |
| Reports Accepted         | 187 | -3%   |
| CISS Arrest Packets      | 47  | +47%  |

- The records department continues to assist local PDs by sharing requested information for investigations that overlap or involve suspects in WPD cases. This month they assisted the Guilford PD, New London PD, and New Canaan PD on independent investigations. Our records department persistently fosters open communication and cooperation with our neighboring towns in accordance with FOI laws and under supervisor discretion as required.
- Records continues processing clean slate erasures that the department has received and carefully reviews each one to confirm that the charges being erased are correct and match the charges already reflected in our system. This additional verification helps ensure that only the appropriate charges are erased.
- CSOs covered 59 shifts equaling 472 hours of shift coverage. There is an ongoing background check for our newest CSO applicant.

## CSO Activity

|                       |    |
|-----------------------|----|
| Adult Arrests         | 11 |
| Juvenile Arrests      | 0  |
| Firearms Transfers    | 50 |
| Pistol Permits Issued | 4  |
| Walk In Complaints    | 32 |

## Fingerprints

|                          |     |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Pistol Permits           | 14  |
| Employment               | 21  |
| Miscellaneous            | 4   |
| Peddler/Precious Permits | 1   |
| Warrant Follow Ups       | 231 |



# Patrol Report

Commissioners Activity Report

September 2026



## Marine Patrol Rescues Three Subjects from Water

On September 5th Officer Fredricks and Detective Carroll were working the Marine Patrol when they observed an overturned sailboat in the area of Millstone. They located three subjects in the water that were unable to right the boat and were in need of assistance. The three subjects were brought onboard the police boat and brought to safety along with their sailboat.

## Assist to NLPD- DUI Arrest

On September 7th the New London Police Department issued a "Be on the Lookout" for a vehicle that was reported to have been chasing a female down a street while the female was yelling for help in the south end of the city. While checking the south end of Waterford, Officer Gorman located the vehicle and was able to stop it on Braman Rd near Niles Hill Rd. The operator was found to be intoxicated and was subsequently arrested. The operator's blood alcohol content was later found to be three times the legal limit. NLPD ultimately determined the incident that occurred in their city wasn't criminal.

## Annual Tip-a-Cop Event at Longhorn Steakhouse

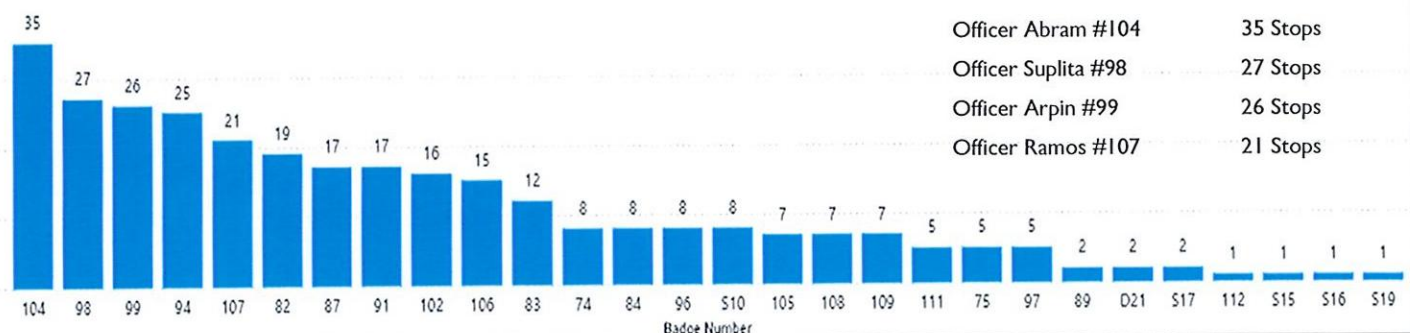
Several officers participated in the annual Tip-a-Cop event at the Longhorn Steakhouse and they were able to raise well over \$1,000 for the Special Olympics.



## Patrol Calls for Service Monthly Snap Shot:

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|----------------------------------|------|
| Total Service Calls              | 2325 |
| Case Numbers                     | 144  |
| Arrests                          | 46   |
| Juvenile Arrests                 | 4    |
| Larcenies                        | 16   |
| Bus. Walkthroughs                | 302  |
| Domestic Violence Investigations | 11   |
| Traffic Crash                    | 48   |
| DUI Investigations               | 1    |
| EDPI/Welfare Check               | 50   |
| School Checks                    | 61   |
| Motor Vehicle Stops              | 308  |
| Written Warnings                 | 193  |
| Infractions                      | 28   |
| Verbal Warnings                  | 74   |
| MV Summons                       | 10   |

## SELF INITIATED MOTOR VEHICLE ACTIVITY BY BADGE NUMBER





## Two Waterford Officer Receive MADD Award

On September 18th Officer Arpin and Officer Jordan attended the annual Mothers Against Drunk Driving Awards Ceremony at the Mohegan Sun Casino. Officer Jordan and Officer Arpin each received awards for leading the Waterford Police Department in arrests for impaired driving in 2025.



## Gas Station Robbed at Knifepoint

On September 21st at 9:28 pm Waterford officers responded to a robbery at the Best Way gas station located at 6 Boston Post Rd. It was reported by the clerk that they were robbed by a male with a knife who fled on foot toward New London. Two K-9 tracks were conducted with K-9's from NLPD and CSP with negative results. The patrol officers on scene then conducted a grid search of the surrounding area and were able to locate the knife that was used as well as some of the stolen money.

## Masked Subject with Knife Arrested After Scaring Stop & Shop Customers

On September 29th at 1:38 pm Waterford officers responded to the parking lot of Stop & Shop to investigate the report of a male driving through the lot while wearing a mask and displaying a large knife. The male fled the parking lot prior to the officers arriving, however upon checking the surrounding area they located him on Miner Ln and were able to perform a traffic stop. The male was found to be in possession of a 9 inch fixed blade knife, a mask, and a police baton. The male was subsequently arrested for Illegal Possession of a Weapon in a Motor Vehicle and Breach of Peace. It was later determined that the New London Police received a report on the previous day of a male, who matched the description of the arrested male, driving through parking lots while displaying a machete.

Ofc Winakor, Ofc Rogers, Ofc Arpin, Sgt Matt Fedor, Sgt Epps, Sgt Firmin, and Lt Flanagan participated in the Relay for America Run on Sept 11th



*In the Community Interest*





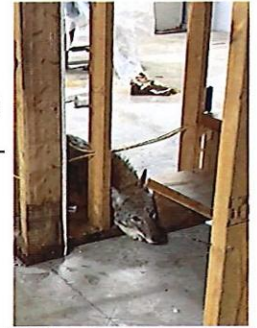
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# Animal Control Report



September 2026

- ACO Ryan attended the first Southeastern CT dog adoption and community event at the new Montville Animal Control Facility. She was able to adopt out "Gizmo", a 16 year old Shih Tzu, at this event which was a happy ending for him.
- This month was a wild one for wildlife. A coyote wandered into somebody's basement, thankfully the home was not occupied at the time and the coyote decided to vacate on his own overnight. Two owls also were in need of rescuing, one has since been released and the other is still in the very capable hands of a local wildlife rehabilitator.
- ACO Tyson Dorn was hired as the new assistant Waterford / East Lyme ACO. He has seven years of experience working as New London Animal Control.
- ACO Robert Yuchniuk formally retired from the Waterford / East Lyme ACO position. He was celebrated at a small ceremony at the East Lyme Police Department.



|                      | Waterford | East<br>Lyme |
|----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Calls for Service    | 70        | 52           |
| After Hour Call Outs | 3         | 2            |
| Tickets Issued       | 0         | 0            |
| Warnings Issued      | 0         | 0            |
| Dog Bites            | 5         | 3            |
| Animals Redeemed     | 7         | 1            |
| Animals Adopted      | 4         | 0            |
| Animals DOA          | 0         | 0            |
| Euthanized           | 0         | 0            |
| Total Processed      | 11        | 10           |
| Money Taken In       | \$170     | \$220        |
| Donations            | \$5       | \$190        |

*"Speaking for those who have no voice"*



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## Community Engagement Report

### September 2026



**Internship:** Intern Falcigno shadowed the Records Department, Investigative Services, Dispatch, and Evening Shift. She attended LEC Academy defensive tactics training and Waterford Police rifle qualifications. She was given a tour of the POST Academy.

**Interaction with Youth Services:** Spoke about the Role of Police at Youth Promise.

**Advance Services Programs:** Conducting bi-annual follow-ups for all registrants. One new registrant added to the program.

**Interaction with Senior Services:** Visited New London Rehab. Attended Senior Beach Day.

**Domestic Violence Follow-ups:** Conducted 6 follow-ups with DV victims.



**K-9 Officer Hodges:** Visited Ledyard High School after the untimely passing of a teacher. Attended a Groton HR Wellness Event, CT Veterans Stand Down Event, Niantic River Boat Launch Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, and a Conn College Wellness Fair. Visited North Stonington Elementary School multiple times after the untimely passing of a student. Held Read to Hodges at the Waterford Library.

**Officer Wellness:** Taught Gracie Survival Tactics at the LEC Police Academy. Presented an Officer Wellness/Peer Support Introduction to a new officer. Helped organize a day for the chaplains to grill for the officers.

**Camp Harkness Fall Fest:** Organized police comfort dogs to attend and a Patrol K-9 Demo to happen at the event.

**Interaction with Youth Officers:** Attended Waterford High School Picture Day and Drinking & Sexting Prevention Classes at Clark Lane Middle School.

**Coffee with a Cop:** Organized first responders and citizens have causal conversations at the Waterford Community Center. Free coffee and donuts were provided. Brought Hodges to the Three Rivers Community College Coffee with a Cop.

**Defensive Tactics Roll Call Training:** Taught Waterford Police Officers various Gracie Survival Tactics for defensive tactics roll call training.

**Tip A Cop:** Organized event where officers volunteered as wait staff at Longhorn Steakhouse to raise \$1,383 for the Connecticut Special Olympics.

**Recruiting:** Held a recruitment session at Quinnipiac University.



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October 14, 2026

Mr. David Campo, Town Clerk  
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**Re: Police Commission meeting dates for calendar year 2027**

Dear Mr. Campo:

The following is a list of regular scheduled meeting dates for the Board of Police Commission Meetings for the year 2027 as approved at the October 13, 2026 Police Commission Meeting.

The meetings are scheduled for Monday unless otherwise noted, and will commence at 5:00 p.m. It is important to note that all traffic related issues will be conducted during the regular scheduled Police Commission Meetings.

JANUARY 11, 2027  
FEBRUARY 8, 2027  
MARCH 8, 2027  
APRIL 12, 2027  
MAY 10, 2027  
JUNE 7, 2027

JULY 12, 2027  
AUGUST 9, 2027  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2027  
OCTOBER 12, 2027 (Tuesday)  
NOVEMBER 8, 2027  
DECEMBER 13, 2027

Respectfully Submitted,

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Recording Secretary