



MINUTES
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
June 9, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioner C. Gamble, Commissioner M. Gelinas, Commissioner J. Dimmock

ABSENT: Commissioner R. Brule, Commissioner T. Sheridan

DEPARTMENT: Chief M. Balestracci, LT N. VanOverloop, LT D. Ferland,
LT P. Flanagan, Traffic Officer M. Devine, Training Officer M. Sylvestre

CANDIDATES: Nesenya Johnson-Claudio, Ravan Carrero

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM:

Commissioner Gelinas 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 Gamble and seconded by Commissioner Gelinas to accept the May 12, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

TRAFFIC COMMISSION REVIEW:

Traffic Report was received.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

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

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Recording Commission Meetings – Audio and video are currently being tested. The project is complete and will be removed from the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Retail Theft Initiative – LT Flanagan presented a brief explanation of the Retail Theft Initiative program. He spoke about the police department's efforts to assist participating

retailers by increasing business checks, posting message boards, holding bi-monthly trainings for loss prevention staff, emailing bulletins, and implementing a bike patrol in an effort to be more visible. These efforts have resulted in a 31% larceny reduction over a six month period when compared to the same time period the previous year. All retailers participating in the RTI have experienced a decrease in theft. Chief Balestracci stated that the RTI and the Traffic Unit have combined efforts to curb theft and are seeing positive results.

b. Executive Session for candidate interviews

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Dimmock and seconded by Commissioner Gamble to enter into Executive Session and at 5:27 p.m. Chief Balestracci and LT Ferland were included in the Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 6:06 p.m. No votes or actions were taken while in Executive Session.

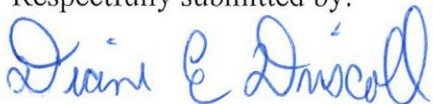
MOTION: Motion made by Commissioner Gamble and Seconded by Commissioner Dimmock to extend offers for the current vacancies, contingent on the candidates successfully completing the hiring process and background investigations, to the following candidates:

1. Nesenya Johnson-Claudio
2. Ravan Carrero

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Gamble and seconded by Commissioner Dimmock to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:



Diane E. Driscoll
Recording Secretary