



MINUTES
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
April 14, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

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

ABSENT: Commissioner T. Sheridan

DEPARTMENT: Chief M. Balestracci, Lieutenant P. Flanagan, Sergeant Michael Fedor, Traffic Officer M. Devine, Training Officer M. Sylvestre, Officer B. Winakor

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM:

Commissioner Dimmock called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the General Meeting Room of the Waterford Police Department. A Quorum was established.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC INPUT: Helen Kwasniewski discussed concerns, including speeders in her neighborhood, line of sight issues, dangerous intersections in town, and late-night loud music expected in the upcoming months.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Gamble and seconded by Commissioner Gelinas to accept the March 10, 2025, Regular Meeting minutes. Commissioner Brule abstained. Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence was reviewed.

TRAFFIC COMMISSION REVIEW:

Traffic Report was received.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

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

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Recording Commission Meetings – The IT director, Jeff Robillard, expects the auditorium to be complete in four to six weeks. The BOE has a person to set up the audio-visual equipment before recording meetings. He suggested the BOPC may want to consider assigning someone to do this if meetings are moved to the auditorium for recording.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Tour and discussion of locker rooms. The costs of the locker room renovation project are coming in much higher than anticipated. Officer Sylvestre discussed the increase in female hiring trends and the fact that there are no locker room facilities for any additional women officers. Officer Winakor reported on the progress of the locker room committee and the quotes from contractors they are working with for initial pricing. The committee is researching cost-saving measures to enable the project to be completed within the budget. The contractor advised that the project would take approximately thirteen weeks from start to finish. There was discussion of officers needing a temporary locker room arrangement during construction.
- b. Executive Session for case review.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Dimmock and seconded by Commissioner Brule to enter into Executive Session, including Chief Balestracci and LT Flanagan at 5:45 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. No votes or actions were taken while in Executive Session.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Gelinas and seconded by Commissioner Gamble to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:



Diane E. Driscoll
Recording Secretary