



**MINUTES
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

November 12, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioner J. Dimmock, Commissioner C. Gamble, Commissioner M. Gelinas, Commissioner T. Sheridan arrived at 5:09

ABSENT: Commissioner R. Brule

DEPARTMENT: Chief M. Balestracci, LT N. VanOverloop, LT D. Ferland,
LT P. Flanagan, Traffic Officer M. Devine, Officer N. Surdo, Office T.
Krysztofiak

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:

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Gelinas noted the following errors in the October 15th minutes: On page 1 under the heading CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM, "Commissioner Gamble" should be changed to "Commissioner Gelinas", and on page 3 in the first sentence of the second paragraph, the word "the" should be changed to the word "that".

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Gamble and seconded by Commissioner Gelinas to accept the minutes from the October 15, 2024 Regular Meeting with the noted corrections. Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence was reviewed.

TRAFFIC COMMISSION REVIEW:

Traffic report was received.

Traffic Officer Devine presented a request to the Commission to approve a change to the parking signs on Windy Ridge Place from “No Parking Anytime” to “No Parking Beyond this Point” to allow for guest parking.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Gelinas and seconded by Commissioner Gamble to approve signage change on Windy Ridge Place. Motion passed unanimously.

CHIEF’S REPORT:

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

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Recording Commission Meetings – The audio part of the project has gone out to bid and will be awarded soon. The video portion will be going out to bid soon.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Route 85 at Cross Road Development Intersection Changes – The State is planning to change this intersection from the current 3-way intersection to a 4-way intersection, due to an apartment complex that will be built on Route 85 directly across from Cross Road. This project is planned for summer 2025. The Commission reviewed the plan and had no objections.
- b. Retirement Commission Appointment

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Sheridan and Seconded by Commissioner Gelinias to appoint Commissioner Dimmock to the Retirement Commission. Motion passed unanimously.

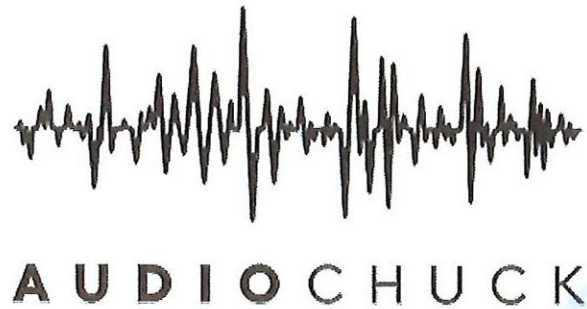
Cold Case Podcast – Chief Balestracci informed the Commission that the Seidel case will be the subject of a podcast that has an audience of approximately 50 million listeners. The family of Kyle Seidel will be participating in interviews as well as the Chief and the detectives that are working on the case. Please see attachment for more information.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Gamble and Seconded by Commissioner Sheridan to adjourn the meeting at 5:37 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:



Diane E. Driscoll
Recording Secretary



Why audiochuck?

audiochuck is an independent podcast production company with **50+ million** monthly listeners. We strive to tell **victim-centric, awareness-driven** stories and have donated millions of dollars toward DNA testing, crime-stopping organizations, and more.

The Deck is a weekly show from audiochuck, with each episode telling the story of a victim featured in playing card decks distributed throughout the country. Our work wouldn't be possible without collaboration alongside law enforcement.

BECAUSE OF THE DECK...



SILENE EADDY
Crime Stoppers received their first tip in years



KETIE JONES
Tips were generated about the suspects' getaway car



RANDALL LEACH
Police got several tips about potential witnesses



LINDA SMITH
Law enforcement received a tip leading to a person of interest



OWACHIGE OSCEOLA
The Oklahoma AG's Office requested the case file for review



DALE WILLIAMS
A tipster called in a lead about an informant

AGENCIES WE'VE WORKED WITH



WHAT THEY'RE SAYING

"You guys did a heck of a job on that podcast. Thanks so much for being professional as well as protecting information I didn't want shared."

-Chief Deputy Jim Warren, Wabasha County (MN) Sheriff's Office

"I just wanted you to know that I am grateful ... and although initially a skeptic, I am now a believer in the power of the podcast."

-Detective Jim Parks, Norman (OK) Police Department

"I never realized you had so many listeners. I've had quite a few local acquaintances tell me they've listened. It turned out really good and I appreciate your work."

-Detective Matt Hefner, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department.



CRIME JUNKIE™



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Crime Junkie is the #1 true crime weekly podcast with over a billion downloads to date. Hosted by #1 New York Times bestselling author, Ashley Flowers, Crime Junkie is dedicated to sharing **advocacy-driven** stories and inspiring our listeners to become active and responsible participants to make a positive impact for these cases and in the true crime space.

BECAUSE OF CRIME JUNKIE...

JANE & JOHN DOES

11 Does have gotten their names back.

ALICIA NAVARRO

After episode aired, a significant tip was received that advanced the case.

SHAKARA CARTER

After being contacted by our reporter, the Police Chief personally reviewed their file and found that Shakara's DNA had not been tested against a suspect.

FATHER PATRICK RYAN

After listening to our episode, the Chief of Police requested a new search for evidence and found templates of fingerprints taken from the scene.

KAYSERA STOPS PRETTY PLACES

Change.org petition went from 6,700 signatures to over 285,000 after episode aired.

OWACHIGE OSCEOLA

The Oklahoma Attorney General's Office requested the case file for review.

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A grid of 24 police and sheriff's office logos from various US states. The logos are arranged in four rows and six columns. The first row includes logos from New York (Saratoga County Sheriff's Office, Sullivan County Sheriff's Office, Westchester County Sheriff's Office, Richmond County Sheriff's Office, Norman Police, St. Louis Sheriff's Office, and Baldwin Police). The second row includes logos from Missouri (Cape Girardeau Police, St. Charles Police, St. Louis County Police, Jackson County Sheriff's Office, Jackson County Sheriff's Office, and Jackson County Sheriff's Office). The third row includes logos from Kansas (Sedgewick County Sheriff's Office, Sedgewick County Sheriff's Office, Sedgewick County Sheriff's Office, Sedgewick County Sheriff's Office, Sedgewick County Sheriff's Office, and Sedgewick County Sheriff's Office). The fourth row includes logos from Oklahoma (Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office, Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office, Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office, Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office, Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office, and Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office). The fifth row includes logos from Arkansas (Arkansas County Sheriff's Office, Arkansas County Sheriff's Office, Arkansas County Sheriff's Office, Arkansas County Sheriff's Office, Arkansas County Sheriff's Office, and Arkansas County Sheriff's Office). The sixth row includes logos from Louisiana (Louisiana Sheriff's Office, Louisiana Sheriff's Office, Louisiana Sheriff's Office, Louisiana Sheriff's Office, Louisiana Sheriff's Office, and Louisiana Sheriff's Office). The seventh row includes logos from South Carolina (South Carolina Sheriff's Office, South Carolina Sheriff's Office, South Carolina Sheriff's Office, South Carolina Sheriff's Office, South Carolina Sheriff's Office, and South Carolina Sheriff's Office).

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Have you heard of Season of Justice?

Founded in 2021, Season of Justice is a nonprofit created by audiochuck's founder Ashley Flowers that's dedicated to providing funding to investigative agencies and families. SOJ provides grants to investigative agencies for advanced DNA analysis solutions, such as forensic genealogy and next-generation sequencing. The organization also awards grants to families to support awareness campaigns and other initiatives that can assist in pushing their cold cases forward. SOJ's goal is to provide financial resources for both investigative agencies and families in order to bring resolution to those impacted by unsolved violent crimes.

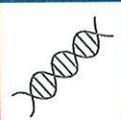
Whether your agency chooses to work with audiochuck or not, SOJ is here to provide the funding you need to solve the unsolvable.



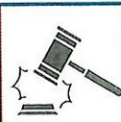
More than **\$1M** awarded



140 unsolved cases assisted



11 Jane/John Does identified



6 cold case murders solved



SEASON OF JUSTICE

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