

MINUTES

WATERTOWN POLICE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

WATERTOWN POLICE HEADQUARTERS
195 FRENCH STREET
WATERTOWN, CT
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2011, 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: James Blais, Chairman
Gary Lafferty
Mark Tedesco
Jack Walton, V. Chairman/Secretary

ABSENT: Patricia Kropp

OTHERS PRESENT: John Gavallas, Police Chief
Robert Desena, Deputy Police Chief

1. **Convene Regular Meeting**
Chairman, Jim Blais called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**
The roll call was executed

3. **Public Participation and Commission Interaction**
Tim Brown – 127 Sylvan Lake Road

Mr. Brown was concerned about safety on Sylvan Lake at the intersection near Milliken Street with regards to ice and speeding. Mr. Brown also talked about the bus stop there and the safety of the children.

A speed report was done by the police over a two week period showing the average speed is 24.8 mph and the posted limited is 25.

Al Mickel – 95 Woodvine Avenue

Mr. Mickel stated his concerns with the parked cars on the street largely on Bingo night with the VFW in Oakville and that it needed more attention.

Mr. Mickel stated the police website needs to be updated and also discussed the arrest history posted.

4. Minutes

a. Regular Meeting – November 9, 2011

Motion: (Mark Tedesco sec. Gary Lafferty) to accept the meeting minutes of November 9, 2011.

Aye: 4

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion approved unanimously

5. Correspondence -

A petition regarding Litchfield Road.

6. Action Items

a. Approval of Meeting Dates – 2012

In commission members packets.

(Mark Tedesco sec. Gary Lafferty) to accept 2012 meeting dates.

Aye: 4

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion approved unanimously

b. Petition Requesting Removal of Passing Lanes on Litchfield Road, N/B, Vicinity of #250

This issue has come up in July of 2004, the state reviewed it and declined and cited reasons why it should not be removed.

Chairman Blais asked for a speed assessment to be done.

c. Update on Status of the Crosswalk at Route 6 and the Green

Mr. Cavanaugh will do an engineering study to see what the cost would be and will come back to the commission.

d. Update on Stop Sign Installation on Killorin Road

A written request has been sent to the Highway Department to install the signs and will check on progress.

e. Update on Crosswalk Request in Front of Watertown High School

It will require an engineering survey in writing and is waiting for report.

7. New Business

Gary Lafferty had discussions & questions regarding side jobs and pay scale.

A. (Mark Tedesco sec. Gary Lafferty) refer to Public Works for study and solution.

Aye: 4

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes unanimously

Mr. Brown asked if the speed box turned could be turned around to do eastbound traffic.

8. Chairman's Report - none

9. Chief's Report

a. December 2011 – Monthly Department Activity Report

10. Adjournment

MOTION: (Mark Tedesco sec. Gary Lafferty) to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Aye: 4

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

James Blais, Chairman
Watertown Police Commission