## DERBY POLICE COMMISSION 35 FIFTH STREET DERBY, CONNECTICUT 06418

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Chief Andrew L. Cota, Jr.

The regular meeting of the Derby Board of Police Commissioners was held on Monday, April 10, 2006 at the Derby Police Department, 125 Water Street, Derby.

The meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. By Chm. Hughes. Present were Commissioners Hughes and DiSorbo. Also present were Chief Cota and Lt. Mascolo. Absent was Comm. Estwan.

## Acceptance of Minutes

A motion to accept the minutes of the March 13, 2006 meeting was made by Mr. DiSorbo, seconded by Mr. Hughes and carried unanimously.

Additions, Deletions, Corrections to Agenda

There were no additions, deletions or corrections to the agenda.

## Public Portion:

Virginia Russo, 203 Minerva Street asked about the bike patrol and what area they covered. Chief Cota explained that they cover the entire downtown area and the Greenway. The Department is in the process of getting more bikes and officers will be trained for the patrol. He also stated that at this time they patrol five days a week but sometimes depending on circumstances they are on duty seven days. Mrs. Russo asked if patrols could be stepped up in the area of upper Minerva Street and stated that she has not seen the bike patrol in that area. Chief Cota stated that they are aware of the problems in that area and are monitoring them. He was not sure of the times that the bike patrol would be in that area. He also stated that they have all the information supplied by neighbors in that area.

Pamela Ortiz, President Caroline Street Neighborhood Association asked for suggestions on how individuals could aid the police. She also stated that she has seen an increase in police presence in her neighborhood. Chief Cota stated that the Department is aware of Board of Police Commissioners

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the activity that is occurring there and stated that residents should call in suspicious activity and also marker numbers of suspicious cars.

Christina Cummings, 188 Minerva Street asked how the police handle the calls that they receive on suspicious activity. Chief Cota stated that all calls are investigated and the Department needs information from the public to help them handle situations.

Communications.

Chief Cota stated that a letter was received about cars parking in the hatched area on Elizabeth Street making it difficult to make a right hand turn onto Main Street. He stated that they will check this out.

Traffic Authority Business:

Chief Cota stated that he spoke to the Board of Aldermen on the traffic authority and explained the duties and responsibilities of the traffic authority.

**Old Business** 

There was no old business to discuss.

Department Reports

The March report was reviewed and discussed. Chief Cota stated that they have documentation on the vehicles that are insured and there has been some discrepancy with the insurance company. They have supplied the necessary information to the Mayor's Office and they will be looking into the matter.

A motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel, contract and budget issues and to have Chief Cota and Lt. Mascolo attend was made by Mr. DiSorbo, seconded by Mr. Hughes and carried unanimously. The Board went into Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. and the regular meeting was adjourned after that.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryanne DeTullio