

DERBY POLICE COMMISSION
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A meeting of the Derby Board of Police Commissioners was held on Monday, December 10, 2007 at the Derby Police Department, 125 Water Street, Derby.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Robert Hughes. Present were Commissioners Hughes, Estwan and DiSorbo. Also present was Chief Mascolo.

Public Portion:

No one from the public was present.

Acceptance of Minutes:

A motion to accept the minutes from the November 14, 2007 meeting was made by Commissioner Estwan and seconded by Commissioner DiSorbo. It was noted that on Page 2 of the minutes, the first paragraph should read, "Department of Public Safety's Office of Statewide Telecommunications". The motion to approve was carried unanimously.

Election of Chairman:

Commissioner Estwan nominated Commissioner Hughes to be re-elected as Chairman. Commissioner DiSorbo seconded. The motion carried unanimously and Commissioner Hughes was named Chairman for another term.

Adopt the Meeting Schedule for 2008:

January 14, 2008	July 14, 2008
February 11, 2008	August 11, 2008
March 10, 2008	September 8, 2008
April 14, 2008	October 6, 2008
May 12, 2008	November 10, 2008
June 9, 2008	December 8, 2008

A motion to accept the 2008 meeting schedule was made by Commissioner Estwan and seconded by Commissioner DiSorbo. The vote was unanimous.

Department Reports:

The Commissioners reviewed November's Department Reports. Chief Mascolo noted that the Accident Report showed 85 accidents and a reduced number of domestic violence incidences. Chief Mascolo also mentioned that Derby PD issued 143 infractions as part of this year's State run Click It or Ticket Campaign.

Derby PD has taken delivery of two new police cruisers. Both cars have the new city seal and red stripe decal. Also, the police department is scheduled to have the building re-keyed on Friday, December 14th.

Chief Mascolo met with Janet Robinson to begin the first round of interviews for the new Youth Services Bureau Director position. Derby Police Department and the Derby Board of Education are contributing \$7,000 each to fund this new position. The State of Connecticut is matching the contribution bringing the total funding for the Youth Services Bureau Director Position to \$28,000. The purpose of the Youth Services Bureau Director position is to create after school programs to help keep local youths out of trouble. This individual may also be responsible for validating student residency and will be the chair of the Juvenile Review Board. Chief Mascolo and Dr. Robinson have met with one potential candidate and will be meeting with the remaining two candidates in the upcoming week.

As mentioned in last months meeting, Derby PD has added Kimberly Lucas to the staff as the new Records Clerk. Due to this addition, the new Records Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM. On Thursday's the Office will be open from 11:00 AM until 6:00 PM. In other staffing news, Mr. Bill Tiano, an Auxiliary Patrolman, has retired effective 01 NOV 07. Mr. Tiano will be presented with a retired auxiliary badge as well as a retired auxiliary ID.

Chief Mascolo discussed the following incidents with the Commissioners.

- Arrest warrants were obtained for the 19 Bank Street assault suspects. Robert and Nicholas Weidman were charged with Assault 1, Assault 2, and Robbery 1. Their location is believed to be out of state and warrants have been turned over to US Marshals Fugitive Task Force.
- DPD received multiple complaints of garbage pickup causing loud noise in the Shop Rite plaza at 0320 hours. Patrol issued warning to the operator of the truck that he was in violation of noise ordinance. Operator said he would have his company reschedule the pick up time. Patrol is continuing to monitor the situation.
- Auxiliary Police assisted Firemen with Paugy's and Storm's Boot Drive. They also assisted with traffic control for the Thanksgiving Day Road Race. Both events were successful and no incidents were reported.
- Police have identified a suspect in the carjacking of an elderly woman resulting in her sustaining a broken arm. Suspect is also accused of multiple car thefts and committing burglaries at McConneys Cider Mill and New Life Community Church.

Communications:

Chief Mascolo forwarded a letter to the Commissioners received from John Anderson, a local resident. Mr. Anderson had concerns regarding the driving of a patrolman. LT Todd discussed the letter with the patrolman; no determination has been made regarding the complaint. No further action is to be taken and the case has been closed.

The Youth Officer written examination results have been released by South Central Criminal Justice and provided to all candidates. The test scores are posted at the Derby Police Department and were forwarded to the Commissioners. The oral portion of the exam is scheduled for 13 DEC 07.

Traffic Authority Business:

Chief Mascolo informed the Commissioners that new street signs are in place on Clark Street, but they need to be reviewed to verify that they were installed in the correct places.

Derby Police Department received a complaint that there are faded street signs on Silver Hill Road. Patrol inspected the signs and discovered that they are within the City limits of Ansonia. Chief Mascolo will forward the information to Chief Hale of Ansonia Police Department for further action.

Derby Police Department also received a request to evaluate the City's Handicap Parking availability. However, this request has since been withdrawn.

The Board of Alderman would like Grandview Boulevard and Devonview Road reviewed to see if it is necessary to install "Dead End" signs. Patrol will evaluate the situation and respond accordingly.

A motion to go into Executive Session and have the Chief present was made by Commissioner Estwan, seconded by Commissioner DiSorbo and was carried unanimously. The Board went into Executive Session at 7:31 p.m. and the meeting adjourned thereafter.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Kuskowski

These minutes are subject to the Board's approval at their next scheduled meeting.