

Derby Police Commission

Derby, Connecticut 06418

Commission

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Theodore J. Estwan Jr.
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Traffic Authority

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A meeting of the Derby Board of Police Commissioners was held on 10 AUG 09 at the Derby Police Department, 125 Water Street, Derby.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman Hughes.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

Present were Commissioners Hughes, Estwan and DiSorbo. Also present was Chief Mascolo.

3. Public Portion

No one from the public wished to comment.

4. Deletion, correction, adoption of agenda

Commissioner Estwan motioned to accept the agenda as is. Commissioner DiSorbo seconded and all were in favor.

5. Acceptance of Previous Meeting's Minutes

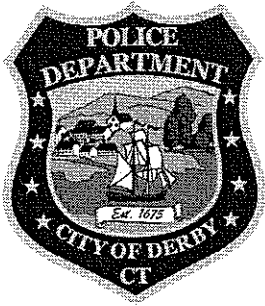
Commissioner DiSorbo motioned to accept the 13 JUL 09 minutes, Commissioner Hughes seconded, and the motion carried. Commissioner Estwan abstained.

6. Department Reports

Chief Mascolo updated the commissioners on the department's patrol activity He also reviewed the status of the police department's budget and he briefed the commissioners on this past month's department endeavors.

7. Communications

The Commissioners were forwarded two letters that were received by the department. One was a thank you letter from the Derby Elks Club for the department's participation in their annual Flag Day Ceremony. The second was a LTA request that is addressed in item 8 – 6.



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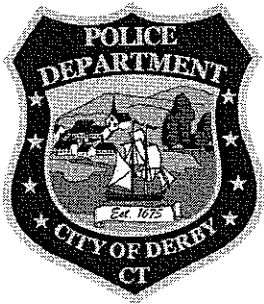
8. Traffic Authority Business

The Board reviewed the LTA report from LT Todd.

1. The traffic division has re-evaluated the handicap parking request from 11 W. Ninth St. that was discussed last month. In lieu of a handicap parking space, I recommend that a restricted parking spot be created in front of the residence.

After discussing the details of this restricted parking spot, the commissioners voted against LT Todd's recommendation. Commissioner Estwan motioned to deny the creation of a restricted parking spot. Commission Hughes seconded and all were in favor.

2. As reported last month, the traffic division had requested that the state DOT provide paperwork associated with the "leading green arrow" request on Derby Ave. at Gilbert St. The DOT has provided us with the paperwork and it is attached to this report. This issue has not been looked at since 1990, however, our DOT contact anticipates that the results would be the same if they opened a new case on the issue. The state is not interested in delaying westbound traffic on RT 34 in favor of traffic turning on Gilbert St.
3. The "no parking this side" signage that was approved last month for Paugasset Rd. has been installed.
4. DPW has installed all of the new signage needed to implement the West Fourth St. resident parking program. The thirty day warning period began today. Full enforcement will commence 10 SEPT.
5. A resident who has a child that attends the recreation camp on Roosevelt Dr. made a complaint regarding the crosswalk leading from Lakeview Terrace to the camp entrance. The resident felt that the crosswalk was not sufficiently marked. The state traffic commission referred her to the Derby LTA to make a request back to the state to look into the matter. We evaluated the signage that is currently in place. The signage conforms to all applicable state and federal guidelines, and is clearly visible in both directions. The most recent state DOT report on this area is attached. The report indicates that any additional warning upgrades (such as a pedestrian activated warning light system) would be at the expense of the city of Derby. The report also indicates an elevated 85th percentile speed being in the area of the camp. I believe that the elevated speed is the main problem in the area. I have ordered deployment of the radar speed trailer in this area. Patrol will follow up with aggressive speed enforcement. SGT Boulton has contacted the complainant and explained our findings.
6. A resident of 91 Atwater Ave. sent a letter to the department complaining about the intersection of Atwater Ave. and Division St. The resident felt that Atwater Ave. should



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be re-striped at Division St. to allow for a right turn lane onto Division St. The roadway is 18' from the center line to the curb line at this location. Federal highway guidelines suggest a minimum of 11' per travel lane. The roadway is not wide enough to have a right hand turn lane delineated at this location. I recommend that the LTA deny this request.

Commissioner Estwan made a motion to accept LT Todd's recommendation that the LTA deny the requested right turn lane onto Division Street from Atwater Avenue. Commissioner DiSorbo seconded and the motion passed.

9. Old Business

There was no old business discussed.

10. New Business

Chief Mascolo forwarded the commissioners a memo he sent to Exxon Mobil. The memo was in response to a request for support from Tom Casa regarding a security system he would like to install at his gas station.

11. Executive Session

A motion to go into executive session at 7:35 pm and have Chief Mascolo and Union President PTL Dupke present was made by Commissioner DiSorbo, seconded by Commissioner Estwan, and carried unanimously. The purpose of the executive session was to discuss the following items:

- Discussion and possible action regarding recommended discipline for PTL Madura.

The meeting was reopened to the public at 8:20 P.M. Commissioner Hughes voted to accept the union's proposal to re-engage with the chief and try to resolve the discipline issues. Commissioner Estwan seconded and all were in favor.

The meeting adjourned thereafter.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Kuskowski

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