



# Bethel Police Commission

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12 Judd Avenue  
Bethel, CT 06801  
Amy Mannion - Chairman

Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Bethel Police Commission  
Bethel Police Department, 12 Judd Ave.  
Wednesday June 15, 2022, 6:00 pm

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Attending: Amy Mannion, Peter Valenti, Kevin Cleary, Richard Kolwicz, Patrick Morton, Chief Pugner, Capt. Burnes

Chairman Mannion called the meeting @ 6:00 pm

## 1. Public Input:

No public input.

Chief Pugner requested to add the CT Challenge Bike Ride to New Business. Comm. Mannion made a motion to approve adding the bike ride to New Business. Seconded by Comm. Kolwicz. Vote. All in favor, motion approved.

## 2. Review of past minutes:

The motion to approve the minutes from the May 18, 2022 was made by Comm. Kolwicz. Seconded by Comm. Mannion. Vote. All in favor, motion approved.

## 3. Budget Report:

Comptroller & Overtime Reports: Chief Pugner said the end of the year numbers are on track to be within the budget. A discussion ensued regarding the overtime for the week ending May 28<sup>th</sup>. Chief Pugner explained it was higher due to the parade.

#### **4: Old Business:**

Chief Pugner updated the commission on the following topics:

Police Range Update: The Board of Finance approved money for the range to lock in the bid price on the equipment but it will be going to referendum due to the cost.

A discussion followed.

Body Camera Update: The body cameras have been up and running for over a week and so far so good, and questions on policies are still being ironed out.

A discussion on how long the batteries stay charged ensued.

New Cad System Update: Training for the software for running reports, etc. will be next week.

#### **5. New Business:**

Monthly Reports, UCR: There were no reports this month. After the Power BI software is up and running, there will be new reports for the commission to review.

K9 Unit Update: A discussion commenced on the use of different breeds of K9 dogs. The chief and captain noted that the department has donations to cover the costs of another dog. A motion to move forward to getting a second dog for the K9 Unit was made by Comm. Kolwicz. Seconded by Comm. Cleary. Vote. Motion approved.

Sky Edge Drive Parking: A request was made by a resident for a No Parking sign at Sky Edge Drive and Sky Edge Lane. Lt. Durkin evaluated the intersection and recommended a sign be posted. A motion to approve the sign was made by Comm. Kolwicz. Seconded by Comm. Mannion. Vote. All in favor, motion approved.

Highland Avenue Parking: A resident requested that there should be no parking on one side of the road. Lt. Durkin said he had not found any issues to warrant this but will continue monitoring the road for parking issues. The commission was in agreement.

CT Challenge Bike Ride: Chief Pugner noted that the bikes ride through every year. A motion to allow the CT Challenge bike ride was made by Comm. Mannion. Seconded by Comm. Kolwicz. Vote. All in favor, motion approved.

#### **6. Correspondence:**

There was no correspondence to discuss.

#### **7. Chief's Report:**

Sickness & Injury: Chief Pugner noted that there is one officer still out and one on military leave.

Personnel Hiring Update/Recruitment: Chief Pugner said that Off. Wilson has begun the Police Academy and a new officer is tentatively scheduled to be sworn in on June 28<sup>th</sup>. He is certified in another state so his training will not be that long.

## **8. Executive Session**

A motion to enter Executive Session to discuss school security, inviting the chief, captain, and secretary, was made by Comm. Mannion at 6:39 pm. Seconded by Comm. Morton.

A motion to end Executive Session was made by Comm. Kolwicz at 6:55 pm. Seconded by Comm. Mannion.

A motion to move forward to add an additional officer for school security was made by Comm. Morton. Seconded by Comm. Kolwicz. Vote. All in favor, motion approved.

## **9. Commissioner's Comments**

There were no comments.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Comm. Kolwicz at 6:56 pm. Seconded by Comm. Mannion. Vote. All in favor, motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Kavallines".

Linda Kavallines, Recording Secretary