

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Wednesday, May 4, 2011**  
**5:00 PM**  
**Erlingheuser Room**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Commissioner Nicholas L. Amico chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:**

All those present rose for the pledge of allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

At the request of the Chairman, the Recording Secretary called the roll. The following Commissioners were present.

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Commissioner Nicholas L. Amico	X		
Commissioner Ann Pitney	X		
Commissioner David Cassetti	X		
Commissioner Bob Goldson	X		
Commissioner Frank Tyszka	X		

Also in attendance:

Chief Kevin J. Hale

Recording Secretary recorded five Commissioners present at the time of the roll call. The Chairman declared a quorum and proceeded with the agenda of the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Chairman asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the April 6, 2011, regular meeting. Commissioner Cassetti made a motion to accept the April 6, 2011 regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Goldson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSIONER	Motion Made	Seconded Motion	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent

Nicholas L. Amico (Chair)			X			
Ann Pitney			X			
David Cassetti	X		X			
Bob Goldson		X	X			
Frank Tyszka			X			

**PUBLIC SESSION:**

Chairman asked if there was anyone present to speak during the public session.

**Bill Ostroski**

**Winesap Ct.**

**Ansonia, CT 06401**

Mr. Ostrowski expressed to the Board that he has been having issues with his neighbors regarding loud music and their dog barking all the time. He stated that he has complained about these issues to both the police department and the Animal Control Officer but the problem is still ongoing for a year. Chief Hale stated that officers have been to the residence to follow up on the complaints. Chief Hale also stated that he would speak with the animal control officer regarding this matter.

**Edward Musanti**

**Old Ansonia Road**

**Seymour, CT 06483**

Mr. Musanti wanted to suggest a schedule lap over during roll call because of the recent garage break ins. Mr. Musanti also wanted to inform the Board that when in the north end area he is being asked for money which makes him uncomfortable and asked that the area be patrolled. Chief Hale stated that the area is patrolled and asked Mr. Musanti if he had made any complaints to the police department, and Mr. Musanti responded no.

**Frank Heusser**

**Frank's LLC**

**142 Wakelee Ave.**

**Ansonia, CT 06401**

Mr. Heusser expressed that a couple of months ago two officer's and a sergeant were called over to his business due to snow removal. Mr. Heusser stated that the two officers', Officer Magera and Officer Landona were very helpful and handled the matter very professionally. Mr. Heusser

noted he has had issues with the Sergeant that was at the scene and that he was unhappy with the way he handled the situation. There was a second call made for snow removal and the two officers, Sergeant Pella and Officer LoSchiavo handled it well. He also wanted to thank them as well. Mr. Heusser also mentioned that he appreciates the additional patrolling in the area of his business since the recent break-ins. Lastly, Mr. Heusser informed the Board that he recently requested and application to be placed on the rotational tow list and wanted to know what the procedure was. Chief Hale informed the Board that he is in receipt of the application and will be responding.

**Jeff McHugh**  
**52 North State Street**  
**Ansonia, CT 06401**

Mr. McHugh informed the Board that people drive through the stop sign located at State Street and North Sate Street. Chief Hale mentioned that patrol is in that area issuing tickets. So that area is being monitored.

Chief Hale also mentioned the Board that signs need to be added in the section of North State Street at Pleasant Street.

**MONTHLY REPORTS:**

Commissioner Pitney made a motion to accept the monthly reports. Commissioner Cassetti seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSIONER	Motion Made	Seconded Motion	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Nicholas L. Amico (Chair)			X			
Ann Pitney	X		X			
David Cassetti		X	X			
Bob Goldson			X			
Frank Tyszka			X			

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

There were none

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Board to discuss issues concerning a new pension recipient. **Chief Hale stated that this matter is still pending between the Finance Department and the recipient but there is movement on this issue.**

2. Status of Mr. Diiulio's request to have the crosswalk on Clifton Avenue relocated. **Chief Hale stated that request has been approved, but at this time the machine to paint the crosswalk is broken. Chief Hale also mentioned that he spoke to Mr. Schryver in regards to the arrow sign located near Eagle hose and Chief Hale stated that that matter will be rectified by the end of the week.**
3. **Griffin Hospital representatives have requested crosswalks to be repainted in the areas around the hospital. This is a safety concern.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Chief Hale asked for the Boards approval on his request for signage in the North State and Pleasant Street area. Commissioner Cassetti made a motion to accept Chief Hale's request for signs at North State at Pleasant Streets. Commissioner Goldson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSIONER	Motion Made	Seconded Motion	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Nicholas L. Amico (Chair)			X			
Ann Pitney			X			
David Cassetti	X		X			
Bob Goldson		X	X			
Frank Tyszka			X			

**ORAL REPORT:**

**Personnel:**

- Three officers are out on job related injuries.
- One officer will be returning

**Hiring:**

-There are 55 applicants remaining. A second round of interviews is coming up and there is an August academy date.

**Miscellaneous:** -Tuesday the Ansonia High School had a Mock DUI fatal accident run by Officer Mike Barry for the Junior and Senior students. There was also a 7<sup>th</sup> grader that played the victim which was different this year. Lifestar (helicopter) also participated in the event.

-The Ansonia Police Department Award Ceremony will be held on May 24, 2011 at the Ansonia High School.

-There is good progress in regards to the two murder investigations that occurred in Ansonia.

-Retired Chief Paul E. Schumacher has passed away and the funeral services will be held on Friday, May 6, 2011 at 9:30 at Assumption Church.

-There is an issue with our building. There is electronic equipment downstairs next to the boiler room and because of the heat that comes from that room the equipment will need to be moved upstairs.

Commissioner Cassetti made a motion to accept Chief Hale’s oral report. Commissioner Goldson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

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Nicholas L. Amico (Chair)			<b>X</b>			
Ann Pitney			<b>X</b>			
David Cassetti	<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>			
Bob Goldson		<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>			
Frank Tyszka			<b>X</b>			

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

There was no executive session.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner Goldson made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Tyszka seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

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Nicholas L. Amico (Chair)			<b>X</b>			
Ann Pitney			<b>X</b>			
David Cassetti			<b>X</b>			
Bob Goldson	<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>			
Frank Tyszka		<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>			

Meeting adjourned at 5:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Lester  
 Recording Secretary  
 Board of Police Commissioners/Traffic Authority