



# City of Ansonia

CONNECTICUT 06401

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
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## COMMISSIONERS

Ann Pitney, President

Bob Goldson, Vice President

Nicholas L. Amico, Commissioner

Frank Tyszka, Secretary

Paul Heon, Commissioner

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## REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, October 1, 2014

5:00 PM

Erlingheuser Room

## MINUTES

### CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Ann Pitney chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

All those present rose for the pledge of allegiance.

### ROLL CALL:

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

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Commissioner Ann Pitney	X		
Commissioner Bob Goldson	X		
Commissioner Frank Tyszka	X		
Commissioner Nicholas Amico	X		
Commissioner Paul Heon	X		

Also in attendance:

Chief Kevin J. Hale, Alderman Patrick Henri

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Chairwoman asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the September 3, 2014, regular meeting minute. Commissioner Goldson made a motion to accept the minutes with the necessary corrections should there be any. Commissioner Heon seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSIONER	Motion Made	Seconded Motion	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Ann Pitney			X			
Bob Goldson	X		X			
Frank Tyszka			X			
Nicholas Amico			X			
Paul Heon		X	X			

**PUBLIC SESSION:**

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

**Dennis Quinn**  
**13 Holbrook Street**  
**Ansonia, CT 06401**

Mr. Quinn explained to the Board his concerns regarding areas throughout Ansonia that do not have crosswalks. He expressed his concerns that it is a safety issue especially for children. Mr. Quinn provided photos, and a photocopy of a map where crosswalks should be as well as a number of streets that he feels should have only one sided parking such as Clarkson Street, Holbrook Street, Holbrook Ct and Jackson St. (at the location of the church). Mr. Quinn also addressed that hedges have overgrown into the sidewalk near 93 Jackson Street which should also be addressed. Chief Hale stated that the Board should look at the areas of concern and that he will also contact the Blight Officer to inform him about the hedges on Jackson Street. Chief Hale also noted that the City of Ansonia is working towards having crosswalks, stop bars, and center lines throughout all of Ansonia, however the town does not have the funding to do so therefore Chief Hale and Mr. Novak of Public Works are working on prioritizing which streets need them.

Commissioner Amico made a motion to have the Board look over Mr. Quinn's request. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Tyszka. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSIONER	Motion Made	Seconded Motion	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Ann Pitney			X			
Bob Goldson			X			
Frank Tyszka		X	X			
Nicholas Amico	X		X			
Paul Heon			X			

**MONTHLY REPORTS:**

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

COMMISSIONER	Motion Made	Seconded Motion	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Ann Pitney			X			
Bob Goldson	X		X			
Frank Tyszka			X			
Nicholas Amico		X	X			
Paul Heon			X			

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Chairwoman asked for a motion to accept the communications including the late communication. Commissioner Amico made a motion to accept the communications including the late communication and place them on file. Commissioner Goldson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSIONER	Motion Made	Seconded Motion	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Ann Pitney			X			
Bob Goldson		X	X			
Frank Tyszka			X			
Nicholas Amico	X		X			
Paul Heon			X			

- A. Letter dated August 27, 2014, from Mr. Bart Flaherty- Chairman of Planning and Zoning Committee to the Board regarding the Planning and Zoning Committee's concerns regarding the exit from Cumberland Farms onto Division Street and turning left on Division Street. Chief Hale noted to the Board that this request

is why he feels that this Board should be getting notifications and plans on any projects, during the planning and review stage that affect the traffic in Ansonia. Chief Hale stated that he will check the traffic data, and find out what the complaints are in the area.

- B. Letter dated September 12, 2014, to Chief Kevin J. Hale from Chief Michael Metzler of the Seymour Police Department regarding Officer Jackson. Commissioner Goldson made a motion to send a letter to Officer Jackson telling him that the Board is proud of his efforts and reaction to this emergent situation. Commissioner Amico seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSIONER	Motion Made	Seconded Motion	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Ann Pitney			X			
Bob Goldson	X		X			
Frank Tyszka			X			
Nicholas Amico		X	X			
Paul Heon			X			

Late Communication- Letter dated September 26, 2014, from Fiduciary Investment Advisors to the Board regarding moving from PIMCO to Parametric Commodities. Chief Hale stated that he spoke with Mr. Katchmar of Fiduciary Investment and he stated to Chief Hale that he recommends that the Board move from PIMCO to Parametric Commodities. Commissioner Goldson made a motion to take the advice of Mr. Katchmar and move the necessary funds from PIMCO to Parametric Commodities. Commissioner Heon seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSIONER	Motion Made	Seconded Motion	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Ann Pitney			X			
Bob Goldson	X		X			
Frank Tyszka			X			
Nicholas Amico			X			
Paul Heon		X	X			

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Alderman Henri's request for the Board to look into the purchasing of rumble strips to help reduce speed in the 6<sup>th</sup> ward area. Discussed under Chief's report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There was none.

**ORAL REPORT:**

**Personnel:**

- 1 officer is out on workers compensation.
- 1 officer is out on light duty.
- 1 Part-Time dispatcher is in training.
- 1 Part-Time Dispatcher position opening up.
- 1 Crossing Guard position opening up.

**Miscellaneous:**

- Chief Hale plans to start the process for the K-9 Officer position in mid-October.
- Currently waiting for 2 new vehicles.
- The ACU completed 2 search warrants which ended in multiple arrests, as well as a raid that was held last Friday.
- Officer Barry received an award today from VSAAC, and a second on Friday in Cromwell from the CT Youth Services Association.
- The new window project should be starting soon.
- Mr. Novak recommends that the painting plan should move forward in regards to Highland Ave. @ Beverly.
- The Medical Dispatch function has moved to Northwest Emergency Dispatch.
- The Birmingham candlelight vigil will be held tonight at the Huntington Congregational Church in Shelton, Chief Hale will be attending.
- Chief Hale received the racial profiling report and he will be looking into that.

In regards to Alderman Henri's request for rumble strips, Chief Hale stated that the Department of Transportation does not recommend the use however Chief Hale will continue to look into this matter.

Commissioner Tyszka made a motion to accept Chief Hale's report. Commissioner Goldson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMISSIONER	Motion Made	Seconded Motion	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Ann Pitney			X			
Bob Goldson		X	X			
Frank Tyszka	X		X			
Nicholas Amico			X			
Paul Heon			X			

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

There was none.

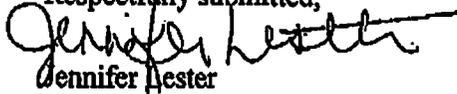
**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

COMMISSIONER	Motion Made	Seconded Motion	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Ann Pitney			X			
Bob Goldson		X	X			
Frank Tyszka	X		X			
Nicholas Amico			X			
Paul Heon			X			

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Hester

Recording Secretary

Board of Police Commissioners/Traffic Authority