



# City of Ansonia

CONNECTICUT 06401

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
TRAFFIC AUTHORITY

## COMMISSIONERS

Ann Pitney, President

Bob Goldson, Vice President  
Nicholas L. Amico, Commissioner

Frank Tyszka, Secretary  
Paul Heon, Commissioner

RECEIVED FOR FILE

14 MAR 10 AM 9:46

*Elizabeth S. Lynch*  
TOWN AND CITY CLERK  
ANSONIA, CONNECTICUT

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Wednesday, March 5, 2014**  
**5:00 PM**  
**Erlingheuser Room**

### MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Commissioner Ann Pitney chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 5:01 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 5:02pm		
Commissioner Nicholas Amico			X
Commissioner Paul Heon	X		

Also in attendance: Chief Kevin J. Hale, Alderman Patrick Henri

Recording Secretary recorded four 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 January 8, 2014, Special Organizational Meeting Commissioner Goldson made a motion to accept the Special Organizational minutes with the following corrections should there be any. Commissioner Heon stated that he had a correction for page three, recoding should be recording. 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			

Chairwoman asked for motion to accept the minutes of the January 8, 2014, Special meeting. Commissioner Heon made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 8, 2014, special meeting with the following corrections should there be any. Commissioner Heon stated he had a correction on page five, riffle should be rifle. 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
Paul Heon	X		X			

**PUBLIC SESSION:**

**Mr. Chris Katchmar**  
**Fiduciary Investments**  
**100 Northfield Drive**  
**Windsor, CT 06095**

Mr. Katchmar of Fiduciary Investments gave a brief presentation of the Ansonia Police Pension executive summary 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. A brief discussion was held.

**Edward Musante**  
**21 Castle Lane**  
**Ansonia, CT 06401**

Mr. Musante recommended that the police department sell the Hummer in order to get funds. Chief Hale informed Mr. Musante that the Hummer was given to the department by the Army and cannot be sold. If the department no longer needed it, it would have to be returned. Chief Hale stated that the Hummer was the only vehicle that was able to get through town when we were hit with the blizzard last year and is very useful.

**MONTHLY REPORTS:**

Commissioner Tyszka made a motion to accept the monthly reports. 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			

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Commissioner Tyszka made a motion to accept the communications. 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			

- A. Letter dated February 1, 2014 to the Board from Michael Travisano of the Yale Podiatry Group, requesting a reserved "on street" parking space in front of the medical office. The members of the Board reviewed Mr. Travisano's request. Commissioner Tyszka stated that she drove by the area to see what the parking situation was like. Chief Hale stated that this Board has been receiving more and more of these individual requests. Chief Hale recommended that at this time the Board deny the request until a resolution can be made on how to approach the parking situation in Ansonia and the

requests that come to the Board for review should be dealt with as a whole and not individually. Commissioner Tyszka made a motion to send a letter to Mr. Travisano denying his request. 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			

B. Verbal request from Mr. John Deleon asking for a "no Parking" sign to be placed in front of his home located at 1 Meadow Street. Chairwoman stated that this Board has received prior requests from Mr. Deleon and those request have been denied through this Board in the past. Commissioner Tyszka made a motion to deny Mr. Deleon's request. 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			

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Request from Frank Heusser Jr. of Frank's LLC to be placed back on the rotational tow list. Commissioner Heon recommended that Mr. Heusser meet with the Chief and a member(s) of the Board to see if the situation can come to a resolve. Chairwoman Pitney and Commissioner Heon will attend. Chairwoman will contact Mr. Heusser to set up the meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Mr. Richard Bshara to speak to the Board regarding police pension funds. Mr. Bshara informed the Board that he will need the Chairwoman to sign the necessary documentation to allow stocks to be sold in order to provide funding to the pension recipients. Chairwoman asked if this has been done in the past.

**Mr. Bshara stated yes. Chairwoman signed the necessary documents for Mr. Bshara to proceed.**

**CHIEF'S ORAL REPORT:**

**Personnel**

- 2 Recruits currently in the police academy
- 1 Officer currently in field training
- 1 Patrol Officer opening
- 2 Officer's currently out on a worker's compensation injury.

**Miscellaneous**

- BOAT budget hearing will be held on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Erlingheuser Room.
- The new radio antennas are up and running, chief hale gives great thank to Jared Heon and Dave Geloso.
- Upgrades to the Emergency Operation Center are complete and now dispatching can be done through the EOC and no longer need to go through the main dispatching center.

Commissioner Tyszka reverted back to new business and made a motion to approve taking pension fund money out to pay the retirees their pension. 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			

(Returned to Chief's Oral Report)

- Chief Hale stated that the department will be needing new servers and will be going to the Board of Aldermen for approval. Chief Hale also noted that the funds for the server have already been appropriated.
- The patrol rifle training is running well and the next class will be in April.
- There is a stop sign at Benz Street at Milan St. and it is too far out into the street. Chief Hale recommends that the sign be completely removed; it is no longer needed in that area. Commissioner Tyszka made a motion to eliminate the stop sign currently located at Benz and Milan Street, and that sign informing driver that the stop sign is no longer there be placed as a warning. 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			
Frank Tyszka	X		X			
Nicholas Amico						X
Paul Heon		X	X			

-Chief Hale stated that he attended the City wide block watch/ Mayor's night out.  
 -The ACU has had great success with their current cases. Commissioner Heon stated that it shows in the stats and they are doing an outstanding job.  
 Chairwoman asked Chief Hale how often the cruisers get washed. Chief Hale stated that the department has an arrangement with the car wash business located on Pershing Dr.

-Chairwoman also asked where the 25mph speed signs are that use to be by Ansonia High School and Prendergast. Chief Hale stated that flashing signs are being placed in those locations instead and is unsure if those speed signs will be put back.

-Commissioner Tyszka asked when a police officer places a red tag on a vehicle, how long do they have to move it. Chief Hale stated the owners have 24 hours to move the vehicle.

-Commissioner Goldson made a motion to accept Chief Hale's oral report. Commissioner Tyszka 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.

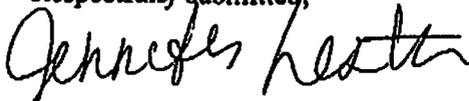
**ADJOURNMENT:**

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 6:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Lester

Recording Secretary

Board of Police Commissioners/Traffic Authority