

**MINUTES-REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2008 7:00 P.M.  
SEYMOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Members present:** Steve Chucta, Marco Gianotti, Howard Simpson, Lucy McConologue and Ed Wasikowski. Also in attendance: Chief Metzler, Captain Beres, LT. Satkowski, Community Police Officer DeFelice, Union President Officer DeNigris, department officers and the public.

1. **Meeting was called to order** at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Wasikowski.
2. **Pledge of allegiance:** was led by Howard Simpson.
3. **Public comment:**

West Street residents still express their concerns regarding speeding. Crosswalks have been requested from the Public Works Department.

Citizens Award presented to Kevin Gilbert by Community Police Officer DeFelice for donating his time to work on the fire range.

4. **Approval of minutes of regular meeting October 16, 2008** Steve Chucta/Howard Simpson to approve minutes. **Motion: 5:0**
5. **Commissioners' Comments:** None.
6. **Old Business:**
  - 6a) Report from Patrol Division LT. Satkowski reports that the fleet is in good shape- although two vehicles needed mechanical repairs and one vehicle needed repair for striking a deer, Click it/Ticket it campaign on going with valley towns, Christmas Parade scheduled for November 30<sup>th</sup>, annual food drive set for November 22<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> annual toy drive set for December 13<sup>th</sup>, thanked Officer DeFelice, Officer Cronin and Officer Harkins for their time with the Haunted Trails, one officer out on long-term sick leave, one officer out on short-term sick leave and the officer who was out on workman's comp has returned to work and there have been 1533 calls for service since the last meeting.

- 6b. Youth Division 14 arrests since the last meeting which include sexual assaults, breach of peace and a drug program was held at Bungay School
- 6b. Community Policing steady since the last meeting, Haunted Trails went well, book of life program done at the Ray House, drug take back program at the Callahan House and participated in the drug program at Bungay School.
- 6c. Det. Division busy with larcenies and burglaries.
- 6d. K-9 active training, re-certification for narcotics done, assisted DEA with drug search, assisted other valley towns and Seymour Vet Hospital continues to donate their services.

Howard Simpson/Marco Gianotti motion to move noise ordinance to executive session. **Motion: 5:0**

- 5. **New business:** Lucy McConologue/Steve Chucta to accept the 2009 meeting dates. **Motion: 5:0**

Steve Chucta/Howard Simpson to go into executive session at 7:18 p.m. to discuss personnel issues and noise ordinance. In attendance: The Board, Captain Beres and LT. Satkowski. **Motion: 5:0**

Union President Officer DeNigris and Officer Och go into executive session at 7:30 p.m.

Chief Metzler, Captain Beres, LT. Satkowski, Union President Officer DeNigris and Officer Och came out of executive session at 7:50 p.m.

Steve Chucta/Marco Gianotti motion to come out of executive session at 7:57 p.m. No votes or motions taken. **Motion: 5:0**

Lucy McConologue/Howard Simpson motion that the Board approves and recommends the noise ordinance submitted by Captain Beres. **Motion: 5:0**

Lucy McConologue/Marco Gianotti motion that the Board uphold the disciplinary decision imposed by management against Officer Och. **Motion: 5:0**

**8: Management Report:** Cancelled the seizure and enhancement accounts with Bank of America and went to TD Bank North, budget is doing good-electricity and gas may be an issue, income doing well, disposal of records has taken place, Cemetery Road has been closed for the winter, Officer Miller is retiring on March 6, 2009. A discussion took place on Challenge Coins-these coins would be given out as a citizens award for good deeds.

Steve Chucta/Howard Simpson motion to purchase Challenge Coins, out of the enhancement fund, dollar amount not to exceed \$ 1,500.00. **Motion: 5:0**

Steve Chucta/Howard Simpson motion to purchase enhancements for the weapons used by the ESU. Money to come out of the enhancement fund in the amount of \$ 2,128.30. **Motion: 5:0**

Chief Metzler thanked Captain Beres and the ESU officers and he also thanked the Board of Police Commissioners for their support

Budget committee will be Lucy McConologue and Howard Simpson.

**9. Correspondence:** None.

**10. Other Business:** None

**11. ADJOURNMENT.**

**MOTION:** Steve Chucta/Howard Simpson to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

**Motion: 5:0**

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Spaulding  
Recording Secretary