

Seymour Police Department
Board of Police Commissioners
Regular Meeting

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

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DATE: 9/10/26
TIME: 3:05pm
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Members Present: David Bitso, Tom LaPaglia, John Duke, Robert J. Koskelowski and Kyle Kelley

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Chief John Bucherati, Deputy Chief Michael Fappiano, Inspector Joseph Matusovich, Officer David Gallo, Officer Joseph Civitella, Officer David Parratt, and members of the public.

1) Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

2) Pledge of Allegiance

3) Public Comment: Michael Rubin of 211 Woodlawn Dr., Seymour, CT commended police officers for increasing patrols in the Meadow Brook Estates neighborhood. This action was taken in response to a request made in August regarding safety concerns and the use of e-bikes in the area.

4) Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on August 12, 2026

Motion to accept regular minutes from August 12, 2026 by Kelley/Duke

Motion Passed 5-0

5) Management Report

Chief Bucherati stated that the budget is in good standing except for overtime expenses. He then discussed the recent vacancies. Recruit Officers Herrerra and Levy are currently attending the Milford Police Academy. Officer Aimal Ahmadi resigned from the Seymour Police Department on August 17. Chief Bucherati discussed the new law, Public Acts 26-42 and 26-76 regarding polling stations and received permission from our local moderator to be within a 250 ft. perimeter. Patrol officers attended the Board of Appeals meeting regarding Red Clover Farms. Chief Bucherati submitted paperwork to the Department of Transportation (DOT) to request a 25-MPH speed limit sign on Brookfield Dr. and is awaiting approval. Chief Bucherati attended a meeting with the principals for the Seymour Middle School (SMS) and the Seymour High School (SHS) to discuss the upcoming school year and their expectations for the School Resource Officers (SROs). Chief Bucherati met with state engineers to discuss installing a gradual raised walkway near the train station on Main St. and Bank St. The Town and several officers were served with a lawsuit regarding a federal civil rights claim, which was forwarded to Berchem Moses. On August 24, Patrol, Detective Bureau and Administration responded to a serious incident at the Haynes Quarry. The department will continue to assist the

state and federal authorities with the ongoing investigation. On August 26, patrol responded to 172 North St. for a homicide which remains an ongoing investigation.

6) Commissioner Comments

All commissioners commended officers for a good job in the past month.

7) Old Business:

- a. Patrol Reports – no comments
- b. Detective Reports – no comments
- c. K-9 Reports – Officer Herrera started the K-9 Academy.
- d. SRO Reports – Commissioner Koskelowski asked for an update on the SROs and inquired on who made the decision to allow SROs to work four days a week. Chief Bucherati stated that he approved the schedule because no one wanted to sign up to be an SRO. He explained that they still work five days a week because they are allowed to flex their schedules to work on weekends which saves on overtime. Chief Bucherati also stated that he did not appreciate that the Chair of the Board of Education did not discuss this matter with him or attend a BOPC meeting. The issue was also discussed in an executive session. Commissioner Koskelowski stated that he would like to be informed about these matters moving forward.
- e. Car Reports – no comments

8) New Business:

Motion to add to the table to move the BOPC meeting scheduled for December 9, 2026 to December 16, 2026 due to Commissioner Bitso's schedule in November and December and he does not want to miss both meetings by Koskelowski/Duke

Motion Passed 5-0

Motion to move BOPC meeting from December 9, 2026 to December 16, 2026 by Duke/Koskelowski

Motion Passed 5-0

9) Correspondence: No Comments

10) Other Business: No Comments

11) Commissioner Comments: Commissioner Koskelowski asked about installing a crosswalk by the Senior Center and Chief Bucherati stated that he sent a request to the State a while back and he would follow up on it. Commissioner Koskelowski also requested "Do Not Block the Box" with crosshatch lines on Rt. 67 at the Franklin St. intersection due to motorists blocking the traffic. Chief Bucherati agreed to submit a formal request. Commissioner Duke wished everyone good luck ahead of a busy few months packed with the upcoming events. Commissioner Kelley inquired about the Trunk-or-Treat and Chief Bucherati confirmed it has been cancelled for this year.

12) Union Business: Officer Parratt commended Chief Bucherati for working with the union.

13) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting by Kelley/Duke

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Motion Passed 5-0