

Town of Hamden Police Commission
Minutes of the Special Meeting of
February 5, 2014

Attending: Raeann Curtis, Michael Iezzi, Robert LaTorraca, Betty Murray, Mitchell Strickland, Police Chief Wydra, Deputy Chief Cappiello, Town Attorney Gruen

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Iezzi called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Iezzi entertained a motion for nominations for Officers for the term of January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2015.

Mr. LaTorraca motioned to nominate Mr. Iezzi as Chairman, seconded by Ms. Curtis. Are there any other nominations, are there any other nominations, are there any other nominations. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

Ms. Curtis motioned to nominate Mr. LaTorraca as Vice Chairman, seconded by Mr. Strickland. Are there any other nominations, are there any other nominations, are there any other nominations. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

Mr. LaTorraca motioned to nominate Ms. Curtis as Secretary, seconded by Mr. Strickland. Are there any other nominations, are there any other nominations, are there any other nominations. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Review of files and interview candidates for promotion to Detective (1) position. At 5:05 p.m. Mr. LaTorraca motioned to adjourn to Executive Session and in addition to the Commission members Police Chief Wydra will remain and the candidates being offered the opportunity to be present while the files are being reviewed. Ms. Curtis seconded the motion. ***The motion carried unanimously.***
- b. Reconvene from Executive Session for announcement of chosen candidate to fill one position of Detective - At 6:13 p.m. Mr. LaTorraca motioned to adjourn from Executive Session, seconded by Ms. Curtis. ***The motion carried unanimously.*** Chairman Iezzi thanked the candidates for their excellent service and wants them to know that this was a difficult decision. At this time Ms. Murray motioned to promote Officer Jomo Crawford to the position of Detective effective immediately, seconded by Mr. Strickland. ***The vote is four in favor and one abstention.***
- c. Review the files and interview candidates for the position(s) of Entry Level Police Officers. – At 6:17 p.m. Mr. LaTorraca motioned to adjourn to Executive Session and in addition to the Commission members the Police Chief Wydra will remain, seconded by Mr. Strickland. ***The motion carried unanimously.***
- d. Reconvene from Executive Session and announcement of candidates chosen as new Entry Level Police Officers. – At 8:39 p.m. Ms. Curtis motioned to reconvene from Executive Session announcement of candidates chosen as

new Entry Level Police Officers, seconded by Ms. Murray. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

Chairman Iezzi congratulated all the candidates noting how impressed the Commission is with their credentials but that unfortunately on five (5) candidates can be chosen at this time. He urged them to continue and wishes them the best.

Mt. LaTorraca motioned to hire the following candidates effective February 10, 2014 contingent on their passing the physical and agility tests, they are Christopher Sheppard, Sara Parker, Justin Thibault, Christina Giori and Daniel Allen. The motion is seconded by Mr. Strickland. ***The motion carried unanimously***

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:42 p.m. Mr. Strickland motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Murray. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

Recorded by,

Catherine E. Gempka
Commission Clerk