

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
January 10, 2022**

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**(Meeting starts at Time Code 01:57:05)**

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A special meeting of the Public Safety Committee was held on Monday, January 10, 2022. This meeting was held electronically, via Zoom, due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. The meeting was called to order at 8:45 P.M. by the Chair, Adrian Webber.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Adrian Webber, Chair; Abdul Osmanu, Vice Chair; Betty Wetmore; Laurie Sweet; Justin Farmer; Cory O'Brien, Majority Leader; Marjorie Bonadies, Minority Leader

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**PUBLIC INPUT:** - None

**The following items were addressed:**

- 1. An order of the Town of Hamden, Connecticut authorizing the execution and delivery of a Government Obligation Contract and Schedules thereto for the acquisition, purchase, financing and leasing of certain police vehicles**

-- Moved by Ms. Wetmore, seconded by Ms. Bonadies; DISCUSSION: Chief Sullivan explained the 2.64% interest rate found by the Finance Dept. on this. Mr. Farmer asked if these were take home vehicles. Chief Sullivan said no, they're marked vehicles for the patrol fleet. Mr. Farmer asked if they're all compliant with the accountability bill and the Chief said yes. Mr. Farmer asked how many vehicles we've purchased in the last year. Chief Sullivan said 5 vehicles in 2020-2021 and another 5 for 2021-2022. There was then some discussion on the bid process. Town Attorney Gruen reminded them that this was the finance agreement for the previous 5 vehicles. There was some discussion on warranties and servicing.

A vote was taken and the item passed with 3 opposed (Farmer) (Osmanu) (Sweet)

**2. Order to approve contract between Connecticut Violence Intervention Program and the Town of Hamden**

**Bid waiver associating with the contract agreement for Connecticut Violence Intervention Program (\$120,000)**

-- Moved by Mr. Farmer, seconded by Mr. O'Brien. DISCUSSION: Jahad Leonard, Program Executive Director explained this program in depth. Ms. Wetmore said she was impressed and thanked Mr. Leonard for being here to give them the information. Mr. Farmer thanked Mr. Leonard for what he does for the community. Ms. Bonadies said Mr. Leonard is great and she's so glad he's here in Hamden working on the issues and she thanked him for that.

A vote was taken and the item passed unanimously.

With there being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:33 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Renta, Clerk  
for Adrian Webber