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BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY Warwick, Rhode Island 02886

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY December 12, 2023 6:00 p.m. BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY ROOM SECOND FLOOR, POLICE HEADQUARTERS

MINUTES

At 6:02 p.m. the Board opened its session for Tuesday, December 12, 2023. Present were Colonel Brad Connor, Chairman Charlie Benson, Vice Chairman Mike Gilbert, Clerk Jim Paolucci, Assistant Solicitor Wyatt Brochu, and Recording Secretary Lisa Ferolito.

- 1. Call to Order Board Chairperson
- **2.** Roll Call See above.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REGULAR SESSION

1. Chief Peter McMichael to recommend appointments, promotions, transfers and reassignments; names to be submitted and discussed at the meeting.

ACTION: There were no items to discuss this evening.

2. Chief Peter McMichael to recommend retirements and resignations; names to be submitted and discussed at the meeting.

ACTION: There were no items to discuss this evening.

At 6:03 p.m. the Board entered its Fire Executive Session for Tuesday, December 12, 2023. At 6:05 p.m. the Board closed its Fire Executive Session, sealed the minutes, and went back into Regular Session.

FIRE DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. The Board of Public Safety may convene into Closed / Executive Session to discuss, take possible action, and/or vote pursuant to the relevant requirements of R.I. General Laws § 42-46-5(a) Subsection (1) matters of personnel - job performance, character, or physical or mental health, regarding: Peter Clements, application for disability retirement pension benefits. Discussion and/or Potential action, announcement and/or vote(s) from Executive Session and/or Open Session concerning Peter Clements, application for disability retirement pension benefits.

ACTION: This item was continued to the January 9, 2024 meeting.

2. The Board of Public Safety may convene into Closed / Executive Session to discuss, take possible action, and/or vote pursuant to the relevant requirements of R.I. General Laws § 42-46-5(a) Subsection (1) matters of personnel - job performance, character, or physical or mental health, regarding: Steven Bonn, application for disability retirement pension benefits. Discussion and/or Potential action, announcement and/or vote(s) from Executive Session and/or Open Session concerning Steven Bonn, application for disability retirement pension benefits.

ACTION: Chairman Benson made a motion to approve Mr. Bonn's request. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REGULAR SESSION

Board Business Police Department - Review, Discussion and/or Potential Action and/or Vote:

1. The police session minutes of the Board of Public Safety meeting held on Tuesday, November 28, 2023 to be submitted for approval.

ACTION: Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

2. Colonel Bradford Connor to recommend appointments, promotions, transfers and reassignments; names to be submitted and discussed at the meeting.

Effective Monday, December 18, 2023, at 0700 hours, the following transfers/reassignments will take place:

Officer Derek J. Hagopian from the Second Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division to the First Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division.

Officer David M. Gaulin from the Second Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division to the First Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division.

Officer Katerina M. Athaide from the Third Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division to the Second Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division.

Officer Alyssa M. Comeau from the Third Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division to the Second Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division.

Officer Ryan E. Riecke from the Third Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division/Field Training Officer Program to the Third Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division.

Officer Michael S. Petrarca from the Third Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division/Field Training Officer Program to the Third Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division.

The following Probationary Officer will be promoted to Third Class effective Tuesday, December 5, 2023:

Frank P. Matarese

The following Third Class Officer will be promoted to Second Class effective December 6, 2023:

Robert K. Lewis, III

The following Third Class Officers will be promoted to Second Class effective Wednesday, December 13, 2023:

Andrew J. Chretien

William F. Spahr

Rene G. Gauthier

Jackson A. Acciaioli

The following Second Class Officers will be promoted to First Class effective Friday, December 15, 2023:

Keara M. Enos

Ryan E. Costa

Nathaniel Gray

Tyler J. Luiz

David M. Gaulin

Evan P. Brown

Rahja O. Laster

Michael C. Maccarone

The following Probationary Officers will be promoted to Third Class effective Tuesday, December 19, 2023:

Katerina Athaide Edmund F. Pierce, III Brent W. Giles Charles M. Vella Alejandro J. Martinez Robert S. Macera

ACTION: Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

3. Colonel Bradford Connor to recommend retirements and resignations; names to be submitted and discussed at the meeting.

ACTION: There were none to discuss at this meeting.

LICENSES AND PERMITS

All licenses are subject to receipt of all required paperwork, all State and Local permits, and compliance with all stipulations, rules and regulations as required by the Board of Public Safety.

1. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Apponaug Brewing Company 334 Knight Street May – November, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

2. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Brick's Café d/b/a Beach Café 805 Oakland Beach Avenue April – October, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

3. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Brewed Awakenings 1316 Bald Hill Road January – December, 2024

4. Outside Seating (Renewal)

The Bottom Line Bar & Grill 415 Palmer Avenue May – October, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

5. Outside Seating (Renewal)

BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse 650 Bald Hill Road, Suite C January – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

6. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Blazin' Wings Buffalo Wild Wings 400 Bald Hill Road April – October, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

7. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Courtyard Providence Warwick 55 Jefferson Park Road January – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

8. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Cork and Rye Gastropub 255 Lambert Lind Highway May – October, 2024

9. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Crow's Nest 288 Arnolds Neck Drive April – October, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

10. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Elizabeth Portofino 897 Post Road June 1 – September 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

11. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Greenwood Inn 135 Jefferson Boulevard March – November 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

12. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Grid Iron Ale House 1599 Post Road January – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

13. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Harbor Lights 150 Gray Street March – November, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

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Iggy's Boardwalk 885 Oakland Beach Avenue April – November, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

15. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Johnson/Gilchrist/Goff VFW Post 172 Washington Street January – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

16. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Meadowbrook Lanes 2530 Warwick Avenue January – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

17. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Not Your Average Joe's 400 Bald Hill Road March – October, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

18. Outside Seating (Renewal)

NYLO Providence Warwick Hotel 400 Knight Street May – November, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

19. Outside Seating (Renewal)

O'Rourke's Bar and Grill 23 Peck Lane April – October, 2024

20. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Picasso's Pizza & Pub 2323 Warwick Avenue January – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

21. Outside Seating (Renewal)

PB&J 2298 West Shore Road April – October, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

22. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Potowomut Golf Club 439 Ives Road January – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

23. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Runway 41 Bar & Grill 41 Roseland Avenue April – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

24. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Shannon View Inn 1901 Post Road January – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

25. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Sports Legends Pub 2121 West Shore Road March – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

26. Outside Seating (Renewal)

The Tree House Tavern 1094 Centerville Road January – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

27. Outside Seating (Renewal)

The Trap/Safehouse 195 Old Forge Road April – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

28. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Texas Roadhouse 1200 Quaker Lane, Building 1 January – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

29. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Tommy's Clam Shack 2255 Warwick Avenue July – September, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

30. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Vanda Cucina 1 Centerville Road April – November, 2024

31. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Valley Country Club 251 New London Avenue April – November, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

32. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Warwick Country Club 394 Narragansett Bay Avenue May – October, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

33. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Sgt. Adam DeCiccio Warwick Memorial Post 272 840 West Shore Road January – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

34. Outside Seating (Renewal)

Texas Roadhouse of Warwick d/b/a Texas Roadhouse 1200 Quaker Lane, Building 1 January – December, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

35. Game of Chance/Raffle

Alishia Ann Levasseur American Legion Auxiliary Being held at Crowne Plaza June 29, 2024

36. Live Entertainment (Inside)

Kenneth MacKinnon Whalen Square Café 2647 West Shore Road December 16, 2023 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

37. Private Detective (Renewal)

Kevin P. Hopkins Legacy Group, LLC

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

38. Arts & Crafts

Talia Clark Talidactyl Crowne Plaza February 2-4, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

39. Vendor (General)

Paul Shoemaker New England Privateers Crowne Plaza February 2-4, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

40. Discussion of memo from Captain Robert Hart regarding addition of the following three new tow companies to the Warwick Police Department's tow list:

All Mobile Towing Eastern Recovery, Inc.

New England Dealer Services, Inc.

Colonel Connor: Once in a while the Department solicits new tow companies to add to add to our rotating list. They're split up into three different districts. Currently, we have three companies in front of us, All Mobile Towing, Eastern Recovery, and New England Dealer Services. Our traffic division has conducted background checks, and conducted inspections; and based on their recommendation, I am advising you that we are seeking to place all three of them on our rotating list. I don't believe you need to take a vote on this. It's just for discussion. I know we have some members of the tow companies here if they wish to say anything.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: So, one of the things in the memo, just for the gentleman from New England Dealer Services, um, the Captain that runs the traffic division noted that you were waiting for some fencing to be placed to make it a secure lot.

Gentleman from New England Dealer Services: It's done.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: It's done?

Gentleman from New England Dealer Services: It's done.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: Is there any confirmation of that?

Gentleman from New England Dealer Services: It was done yesterday. I called Colleen this morning and told her, I think it was Officer O'Dell, told her if he wants to stop back and check it.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: So that is completed.

Gentleman from New England Dealer Services: Yes, and the cameras are all set. We had to add another camera. I had two, but I wanted one facing the gate.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: Okay.

Chairman Benson: Okay, because technically it won't go through until he confirms it. We don't have to vote on it. It's always up to the Chief with something like that. He made the recommendation, so we'll go with it. We don't even have to vote on it. You guys should be all set.

ACTION: No action was necessary by the BOPS. The Colonel recommended that these tow companies be added to the list.

At 6:05 the Board opened it's Police Executive Session for Tuesday, December 12, 2023. At 6:23 p.m. the Board closed this session, sealed the minutes, and went back into Regular Session.

POLICE EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1. Board Business Review, Discussion and/or Potential Action and/or Vote; Possible Motion(s) to convene into Closed/Executive Session; The Board of Public Safety may convene into Closed / Executive Session to discuss, take possible action, and/or vote pursuant to the relevant requirements of R.I. General Laws § 42-46-5(a) Subsection (3) regarding matters of security Applications pursuant to R.I. General Laws § 11-47-11 and City of Warwick Ordinance Article IV, Division 1, Sec. 6-72: Concealed Carry Weapon Permit. Discussion and/or Potential Action and/or Vote from Executive Session concerning the following Applications:
 - **a.** Applicant 1 Request for Weapons Carry Permit (**RENEWAL EXECUTIVE**)

ACTION: Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

b. Applicant 2 – Request for Weapons Carry Permit (**NEW – EXECUTIVE**)

ACTION: Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

c. Applicant 3 – Request for Weapons Carry Permit (NEW – EXECUTIVE)

ACTION: Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

d. Applicant 4 – Request for Weapons Carry Permit (**NEW – EXECUTIVE**)

ACTION: Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

e. Applicant 5 – Request for Weapons Carry Permit (NEW – EXECUTIVE)

ACTION: Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

At 6:30 p.m. this meeting was adjourned.

James Paolucci

James Paolucci, Clerk