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Warwick, Rhode Island 02886

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY
January 23, 2024
6:00 p.m.
BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY ROOM
SECOND FLOOR, POLICE HEADQUARTERS

MINUTES

At 6:03 p.m. the Board opened its regular session for Tuesday, January 23, 2024. Present were Colonel Bradford Connor, Chairman Charlie Benson, Vice Chairman Mike Gilbert, Clerk Jim Paolucci, Assistant Solicitor Kerry Rafanelli, and Recording Secretary Lisa Ferolito.

1. Call to Order – Board Chairperson
2. Roll Call – Board Clerk (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 none to discuss this evening. No action was necessary.

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

ACTION: There were none to discuss this evening. No action was necessary.

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, January 9, 2024 were 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.

At a ceremony held on Thursday, January 18, 2024, the following took place:

The following First-Class Officer was elevated to the rank of Detective effective Thursday, January 18, 2024:

Nicholas E. DeMarco

The following First-Class Officers were recognized and will be elevated to the rank of Detective effective Monday, February 19, 2024:

Kyle M. Palmer
Oliver M. Pinheiro

Effective 0700 hours, Monday, January 22, 2024, the following assignment/transfer will take effect:

Detective Nicholas E. DeMarco assigned to the First Platoon, Detective Division, Criminal Investigative Unit.

Officer Connor R. Bemis from the Third Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division to the Second Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division.

Effective 0700 hours, Monday, January 29, 2024, the following reassignment will take effect:

Officer Bryan C. Araujo reassigned from the Third Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division/Field Training Officer Program to the Third Platoon, Uniform Patrol Division.

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 this evening. No action was taken.

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. Second Class Victualer (Ownership Change) – New
Joseph Dourado
West Shore Coffee Bar
2291 West Shore Road

Colonel Connor: I recommended approval pending building, fire, health, city and state tax. He did come with a rather lengthy BCI, which he did note in his application. He admitted to having a lengthy BCI. However, he stated that he was rehabilitated and on the right path since then. He is not on probation or parole. This is not a liquor license; so I would not object. I would just only note the BCI, I wouldn't object to issuance of this second class victualer license.

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

2. Second Class Victualer – New
Catia Torres
Cat's Cakes and Café
2424B West Shore Road

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.

3. Game of Chance/Raffle
Craig Caton
New England Privateers
Crowne Plaza
February 3, 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.

4. Live Entertainment (Inside)

Ronald Manfredo
Oakland Beach Volunteer Fire Co.
645 Oakland Beach Avenue
January – December, 2024

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

5. Live Entertainment (Outside)

Ronald Manfredo
Oakland Beach Volunteer Fire Co.
645 Oakland Beach Avenue
June, 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

Ronald Manfredo
Oakland Beach Volunteer Fire Co.
645 Oakland Beach Avenue
May-September, 2024

ACTION: Colonel Connor recommended approval pending fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending 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

Tri - City Elks #14
1915 West Shore Road
April – November, 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.

8. Outside Seating

Fairfield Inn & Suites Providence Airport
1940 Post Road
January – December, 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.

9. Outside Seating

Eric Weiner
P & EE Consulting, Inc.
d/b/a FoodTrucksIn.com
Crowne Plaza
April 18, May 16, June 20, July 18
August 15, September 12, October 4

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

10. Food Truck Nights

Eric Weiner
P & EE Consulting, Inc.
d/b/a FoodTrucksIn.com
Crowne Plaza
April 18, May 16, June 20, July 18
August 15, September 12, October 4

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

11. Honorary Constable

John S. Martucci
72 Kiwanee Road

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.

12. Bazaar

Debbie Wood
We Be Jammin' Events
Crowne Plaza
February 10, 2024

Colonel Connor: I would recommend approval pending a BCI check on each of the vendors.

Chairman Benson: Okay. A note for the record that no vendors were listed tonight. So, I'm going to make a motion to approve the bazaar initially for Debbie Wood, We Be Jammin'.

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.

A second motion was made to preliminary approve the list of vendors that has not been provided yet, pending their BCI checks, prior to the event. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

13. Vendor (General)

Anne Matysek
Snow Foot Dice
Crowne Plaza
February 2-4, 2023

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.

14. Vendor (General)

John LaRosee
Medieval Starship
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.

15. Private Detective (Renewal)

Kevin G. Kelly
Allied Universal Compliance and Invest.

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.

16. Private Detective (Renewal)

Dean S. Durning
Accurate Investigations, Inc.

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.

17. Midnight to 5am

Meadow Donuts, Inc.
d/b/a Dunkin
422 Warwick Avenue

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.

18. Discussion and possible action taken regarding Tavolo Wine Bar & Tuscan Grille serving alcohol without a license.

ACTION: Per C1 – No need to appear; no discussion or action necessary.

At 6:04 p.m. the Board entered executive session.

At 6:10 p.m. the Board re-entered regular session, sealed the minutes, and recorded the votes.

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:

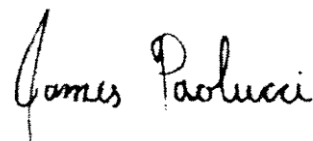
- a. Applicant 1 – Request for Weapons Carry Permit (**NEW - EXECUTIVE**)

ACTION: Chairman Benson made a motion to appear. 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.

At 6:15 p.m. this meeting was adjourned.



James Paolucci, Clerk