# PORT WASHINGTON POLICE DISTRICT MINUTES OF REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF POLICE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

Held on at Port Washington Police Headquarters, 500 Port Washington Boulevard, Port Washington, New York on December 7, 2022.

Commissioner Scobbo called the Regular Business Meeting to order at 9:05 AM. There was a moment of silence for the Yonkers Police Sergeant who recently lost his life in the line of duty.

Present were Commissioners Frank Scobbo, Brian Staley; Chief Robert Del Muro, Assistant Chief Kevin McCarroll, Deputy Chief William Zwerlein, Counselor Richard Finkel, Office Manager Katie Rivera, Treasurer Christine Piacquadio.

Commissioner Angela Lawlor Mullins via phone.

# **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

Commissioner Scobbo wished everyone a happy, healthy, and safe holiday season.

# **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scobbo and seconded by Commissioner

Staley to approve the minutes of November 22, 2022.

The vote was recorded as follows: Ayes: 2

# **RESOLUTION CALENDAR:**

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scobbo and seconded by Commissioner

Staley to adopt Resolution 2022-15 - Resolution Adopting Rules and

Regulations for Conduct of 2022 Police District Election.

The vote was recorded as follows: Ayes: 2

Commissioner Mullins does not agree with Number 11 on the Rules and Regulations For Conduct of 2022 Police District Election.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scobbo and seconded by Commissioner

Staley to adopt **Resolution 2022-16 – Resolution Appointing Ballot Clerks and** 

Election Inspectors for 2022 Police District Election.

The vote was recorded as follows: Ayes: 2

# **CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Chief Del Muro reported multiple gypsy deception scams occurring in the area.

Also please do not leave packages on your porch for an extended period and do not leave belongings in your unlocked vehicle.

The Menorah lighting will be held at North Hempstead Park on December 18, 2022.

Chief Del Muro thanked North Shore Garden Center for the donation of the Christmas tree for Headquarters.

# **COUNSEL'S REPORT:**

None.

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

None.

# TREASURER'S REPORT:

A Motion was made by Commissioner Staley and seconded by Commissioner **ACTION:** 

Scobbo to approve the December 6, 2022 abstract in the amount of \$371,952.38.

The vote was recorded as follows: Ayes:

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

**ACTION:** A Motion was made by Commissioner Scobbo and seconded by Commissioner

Staley to accept the donation of a Christmas Tree from North Shore Garden

Center.

The vote was recorded as follows: Ayes: 2

**ACTION:** A Motion was made by Commissioner Scobbo and seconded by Commissioner

Staley to approve the outfitting of two new vehicles at a cost of \$25973.60 from

Cruisers Division.

The vote was recorded as follows: Ayes: 2

#### **ACTION:**

A Motion was made by Commissioner Scobbo and seconded by Commissioner Staley to approve the purchase of two extended car warranties in the amount of \$9,960.00 from John Vance.

The vote was recorded as follows: Ayes: 2

# **UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:**

• December 13, 2022 12:00 PM – 9:00 PM 2022 PWPD Election

• December 21, 2022 7:00 PM Regular Business Meeting

# **PUBLIC FORUM/PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Former Commissioner Franklin suggested the wording be changed on Number 11 of the Rules and Regulations Resolution for the District Election to include the Chief of Police be allowed to be behind the voting machines as he is the District Clerk. A lengthy discussion followed by multiple members of the public and the Commissioners.

A member of the public stated Chief Del Muro's "integrity is beyond reproach." Multiple members of the public agreed.

#### **ACTION:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Scobbo and seconded by Commissioner Staley to modify Number 11 on <u>Resolution 2022-15 – Resolution Adopting</u>

<u>Rules and Regulations for Conduct of 2022 Police District Election</u> to state 11.

No uniformed personnel shall be behind the voting machines while polls are open except resident officers who are casting their vote.

The vote was recorded as follows: Ayes: 2

Chief Del Muro thanked everyone for their support and stated that he is the District Clerk.

A member of the public stated his concern with someone questioning Chief's integrity.

A member of the public stated that he believes elected officials should submit a financial disclosure.

A member of the public asked about negotiations with the Village of Manorhaven as well as Commissioner Scobbo's snow removal services with the Village.

A question was asked if Port Washington has a court system. It was clarified that the District does not.

Commissioner Staley stated that the debate was very professional.

A member of the public stated that she was very unhappy with the actions of the public at

today's meeting. It was also stated that she does not see any Port Washington Police vehicles doing patrol.

ACTION: A Motion was made by Commissioner Scobbo and seconded by Commissioner

Staley to adjourn the public meeting at 9:59 AM.

The vote was recorded as follows: Ayes: 2

Angela Lawlor Mullins, Secretary