

## **Old Saybrook Police Commission**

Special Meeting

January 7, 2022

### **MINUTES**

A special hybrid meeting of the Old Saybrook Police Commission was held on Friday, January 7, 2022.

The meeting was recorded and can be viewed in its entirety at <https://youtu.be/z9sANhM2P9c>

**Present:** Chairman Wilcox, Vice Chairman Shippee, Secretary Notar-Francesco, Commissioners Calle, Manning, Maselli and Von Dassel. Chief Spera and Captain DePerry were present from the Department of Police Services.

#### **I. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairman Wilcox called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM and led those in attendance with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **II. Discussion and Possible Action to Enter into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing an Employee Matter**

Commissioner Manning made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing an Employee Matter inviting Chief Spera, First Selectman Fortuna, Town Labor Attorney Pat McHale, Patrolman Austin Harris, Union Rep Ron Suraci and Union Attorney Chip Walsh to join. Secretary Notar-Francesco seconded the motion. The motion to enter into Executive Session passed with a vote of 7 in favor and 0 against.

The Commission Entered Executive Session at 7:10PM

Chief Spera, Patrolman Austin Harris, Ron Suraci and Chip Walsh entered Executive Session at 7:23PM

Chief Spera, Patrolman Austin Harris, Ron Suraci and Chip Walsh exited Executive Session at 8:07PM

The Commission resumed public session at 8:46PM

#### **III. Discussion and Possible Action Concerning Employee Discipline**

Secretary Notar-Francesco made a motion to terminate the employment of the police officer discussed in executive session for the reasons set forth in the Notice of Charges and the charges and specifications he was provided by Chief Spera. Commissioner Maselli seconded the motion. The motion to terminate the employment of the police officer discussed in executive session passed with a vote of 4 in favor (Wilcox, Notar-Francesco, Maselli, Von Dassel) and 3 opposed (Shippee, Calle, Manning) and 0 abstaining.

#### **IV. Adjournment**

Commissioner Maselli made a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was seconded by Secretary Notar-Francesco. The motion to adjourn passed with a vote of 7 in favor and 0 opposed, 0 abstaining.

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted by:

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