

# REGULAR MEETING OF WESTFIELD POLICE COMMISSION

WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

January 11, 2023

The Westfield Police Commission meeting was called to order at 59 Court Street, Westfield, MA, at 5:30 pm.

Roll Call: Richard Sypek – Present  
Felix Otero – Present  
James Irwin – Present

A. Approval and release of minutes dated December 14, 2022

Commissioner Otero made a motion to approve the minutes dated December 14, 2022. Commissioner Irwin seconded that motion.

Commissioner Sypek: Yes  
Commissioner Otero: Yes  
Commissioner Irwin: Yes

B. Open participation: None

C. Old Business: None

D. New Business:

1. Appoint 2023 Traffic Control Personnel:

Commissioner Otero made a motion to appoint Peter Albano, Timothy Balsler, Kevin Bard, David Beauchemin, Jennifer Ciepela, Michael Curran, Albert Distefano, Dennis Donovan, Richard Gaudreau, Michael Gamache, Thomas Gray, Frederick Harpin, Matthew Hartmann, Paul Kousch, Ricky Maciorowski, Joseph Maxton, Kenneth Moriarty, Edward Murphy, Kerry Paton, Paul Pellan, Paul Picard, Tracy Ploof, David Racicot, Todd Renaud, Michael Rowbotham, Michael Ruffo, Robert Sorel, Matthew Tsatsos, Michael Ugolik and William Ullrich as 2023 Traffic Control Supervisors. Commissioner Irwin seconded that motion.

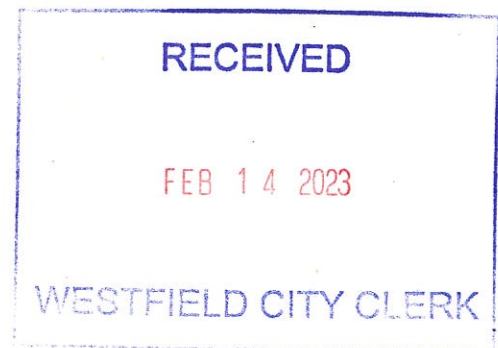
Commissioner Sypek: Yes  
Commissioner Otero: Yes  
Commissioner Irwin: Yes

2. Appoint 2023 Special Police Officers:

Commissioner Irwin made a motion to appoint Jeffrey Hastings, Dario Camacho, Stephen Daneault, Rachael Foran, Michael Foyle, Michael Jezak, Efrain Quinones, Frank Soleimani and Sean Coughlin as 2023 Special Police Officers. Commissioner Otero seconded that motion.

Commissioner Sypek: Yes  
Commissioner Otero: Yes  
Commissioner Irwin: Yes

3. Appoint One Full-Time Patrolman – This appointment is the result of a candidate who was chosen as a full-time officer at the December 14, 2022 meeting, but has since resigned from that process:



Chief Valliere said the commission formerly appointed 4 patrolman at the last meeting. One candidate, Jared Rogers, has resigned. The next candidate on the list is Gunnar Sagan. He was interviewed at the last meeting. He had a great interview. It is the recommendation of the Chief and both Captain Pitoniak and Captain Dickinson that the commission appoint him this evening.

Commissioner Irwin made a motion to appoint Gunnar Sagan as a Full-Time Patrolman for the Westfield Police Department. Commissioner Otero seconded that motion.

Commissioner Sypek: Yes

Commissioner Otero: Yes

Commissioner Irwin: Yes

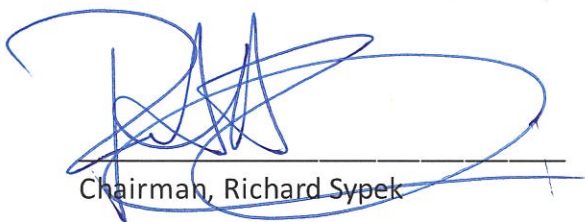
E. Announcement of next meeting: Monday, February 13, 2023

F. Motion to adjourn: At 5:37 p.m. Commissioner Irwin made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Otero seconded that motion.

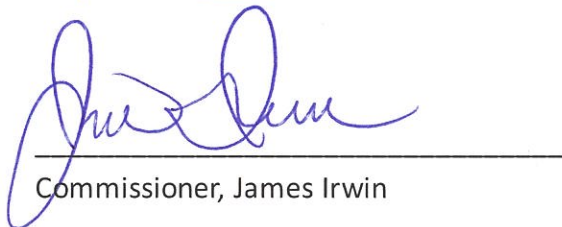
Commissioner Sypek: Yes

Commissioner Otero: Yes

Commissioner Irwin: Yes



Chairman, Richard Sypek



Commissioner, James Irwin

APPROVED FOR RELEASE ON 2/13/23