

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

January 12, 2026

PRESENT: Chairman Melanson, Commissioners Bruce Farmer, Lauren DeLoreto and Marc Gelven (arrived at 5:06)

Absent: Bob Voss

Also, present Chief DeMaio, Deputy Chief Cain, Dennis Donovan, Cpl. Jeffrey Brymer and Stephanie DiCostanzo

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chairman Melanson and all stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Comments from the Public: Stephanie DiCostanzo introduced herself and advised that she is a member of the EDC and is attending the meeting to form a collaboration with the Police Commission and the EDC.

A motion was made by Commissioner Farmer to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2025, regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner DeLoreto and the motion was approved.

Correspondence:

- Chief DeMaio recognized Pam Ferrier for all her hard work and dedication to submitting and completing error free Clean Slate erasures and entries for NIBRS submissions.

Budget Review:

- Current monthly budgets discussed, and Chief DeMaio answered any questions the Commissioners had
- 2026/2027 initial Budget requests have been submitted to the Town Manger and Finance Director. Chief DeMaio and Deputy Chief Cain will be meeting with them on January 14th.
- Chief DeMaio explained any increases in the proposed budgets and answered any questions the Commissioners had. Increases are due to salaries and service contracts.
- A detailed budget report will be provided to the Commissioners at the February meeting.
- Discussion occurred regarding possible grants for the marine program.

Chief's Report:

- Recruit Officer Talarczyk is in his fourth week of Field training and is doing very well.
- Officer Mastriano was recognized for his continued hard work on patrol.
- Sgt. Varone is at the FBINA in Quantico and Cpl. Graham is overseeing the Investigative Section while he is at training.
- Command Restructure-smooth transition.
- Part time records clerk to begin on February 1st and she will work 15 hours per week.
- No applications received for the School Crossing guard position to date. Commissioner DeLoreto advised she would post the job announcement at the Henry Carter Hull Library.
- The Town Council is scheduled to discuss the AETSD's ordinance at the February meeting.
- Radio system Project 80% complete. Meadow Road and Ridge Road sites are completely decommissioned.
- School bus cameras for passing a stopped school bus-Bus company would conduct a study before anything else occurs.
- Shoreline Law Enforcement Diaper Drive to occur February 1st -15th.

Deputy Chief Cain's Report:

- DC Cain stated he has been completing all the end of year required reports and that data will be included in the Annual report that he is also working on. The goal is to post the report on the department website.
- DC Cain stated that calls for service are up 35% and there has been a decrease in property crimes, including vehicle thefts, thefts from vehicles and shopliftings which are all attributed to proactive patrols and the use of technology. MV enforcement is up by approximately 270%.
- The Flock camera system continues to be a tremendous asset and a success.

- The Investigative Section continues to be very busy, under the leadership of Cpl. Graham and assisted by Sgt. Caruso.
- DC Cain answered any questions the Commissioners had regarding his monthly report. The Commissioners complimented him regarding the quality and content of his report.
- Administrative report discussed, no questions asked.
- Investigative section report- request for SRO stats. Discussion occurred regarding sensitivity of that information due to juvenile involvement.

Old Business: none

New Business:

- Cpl. John Gregorczyk requested permission for outside employment, Chief DeMaio stated he had no issues with the request if it doesn't interfere with his job.
A motion was made by Commissioner Gelven, seconded by Commissioner DeLoreto to approve Corporal John Gregorczyk's request for outside employment, the motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made to adjourn By Commissioner Gelven seconded by Commissioner DeLoreto The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 5:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Shove
Executive Assistant
Police Chief