

**City of West Haven, CT
Board of Police Commissioners
Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday, May 6th, 2025**

The regular meeting of the West Haven Board of Police Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-Chairman Paul E. Butler at West Haven Police Headquarters, 200 Sawmill Road. All those present rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance

Paul E. Butler, <i>Vice-Chairman</i>	Present
John M. Carrano, <i>Commissioner</i>	Present
Christopher Suggs, <i>Commissioner</i>	Present
Deborah B. Wright, <i>Pension Board Chair and Commissioner</i>	Present
Joseph Perno, <i>Chief of Police</i>	Present
Carl Flemmig, <i>Deputy Chief</i>	Present
Steven B. Johnstone, <i>City Liaison</i>	Present

Agenda

Commissioner Suggs MOVED to accept the minutes of the meeting held on April 1st, 2025; SECONDED by Commissioner Wright. Motion carried, Commissioner Wright abstained.

Commissioner Suggs MOVED to accept the agenda as amended; SECONDED by Commissioner Wright. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Minutes

Commissioner Suggs MOVED to accept the minutes from the cancelled meeting on April 15th, 2025; SECONDED by Commissioner Carrano. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Public Input

Vice-Chairman Butler asked three times if any other person from the public wished to speak. There being none, he declared the public portion closed.

3. Communications

- 3.1 Attendance Report – March 2025**
- 3.2 Animal Control Report – March 2025**
- 3.3 Traffic Management Unit Report – March 2025**

4. Report of the Chief

Chief Perno announced that the West Haven Police Department has been awarded Tier 3 Accreditation and will be receiving a plaque on May 8th, 2025. The Commissioners all offered their congratulations.

5. Report of the Deputy Chief

Deputy Chief Flemmig reported that the West Haven Police Department is currently staffed with 119 Officers, including 16 unavailable and 103 available.

6. Report of the Committees - None

7. Pension

7.1 Dave Moran

Dave Moran of Raymond James gave the end of 1st Quarter report of the pension's 6.9% total return index and current market value of \$135,084,975.

8. Old Business – None

9. New Business

9.1 Memorial Day Parade – Monday, May 26th, 2025

Commissioner Suggs MOVED to accept the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 26th, 2025; SECONDED by Commissioner Carrano. Motion carried unanimously.

9.2 Saint Lawrence School Annual Walk-A-Thon – Friday, May 9th, 2025

Commissioner Suggs MOVED to accept the Saint Lawrence School Annual Walk-A-Thon on Friday, May 9th, 2025; SECONDED by Commissioner Wright. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Carrano reported that over the school break, the Youth and Family Services Department along with Parks and Recreation had a basketball event at the Nike Site which was very well attended; notes that it was very much appreciated to see multiple WHPD Officers playing with kids in uniform throughout the event.

11. Executive Session

Commissioner Carrano MOVED to go into Executive Session to discuss the following:

11.1 Personnel

11.2 Certification of Promotional Exam List

The motion was SECONDED by Commissioner Suggs. Motion carried unanimously.

The Commissioners entered Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. and returned to the public at 8:53 p.m.

12. Adjournment

At 8:53 p.m., Commissioner Carrano MOVED to adjourn; SECONDED by Commissioner Wright. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Collins
Recording Clerk