

**City of West Haven, CT
Board of Police Commissioners
Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday, October 7th, 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>	Absent
Steven B. Johnstone, <i>City Council Liaison</i>	Present

Agenda

Commissioner Suggs MOVED to accept the agenda without amendments; SECONDED by Commissioner Carrano. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Minutes

Commissioner Suggs MOVED to accept the minutes from the previous meeting on September 16th, 2025; SECONDED by Commissioner Carrano. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Public Input

Mark Allamy, 10 Collen Avenue, addressed the Board to express his concerns with the West Haven Police Department, alleging discrimination and violation of his constitutional rights. He expressed his concerns about corruption and requested an explanation for why he was asked to leave various public events held by the City of West Haven.

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 at 7:07 p.m.

3. Communications

3.1 Attendance Report – August 2025

4. Report of the Chief

Chief Perno reported that the West Haven Police Department currently stands at 120 rostered Officers with 8 Officers either on leave or in the academy/at training, contributing to 111 Officers currently able to respond.

5. Report of the Deputy Chief – None

6. Report of the Committees – None

7. Pension Board – None

8. Old Business – None

9. New Business

9.1 Halloween on the Green – Saturday, October 25th, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Commissioner Carrano MOVED to accept the Halloween on the Green event to be held on Saturday, October 25th, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.; SECONDED by Commissioner Suggs. Motion carried unanimously.

9.2 Christmas Tree Lighting – Saturday, November 29th, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Commissioner Carrano MOVED to accept the Christmas Tree Lighting event to be held on Saturday, November 29th, 2025, from 4:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.; SECONDED by Commissioner Wright. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Commissioner's Report – None

11. Executive Session

Commissioner Wright MOVED to enter Executive Session to discuss the following:

11.1 Personnel

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

The Commissioners entered Executive Session at 7:09 p.m. and returned to public portion at 8:05 p.m.

12. Adjournment

At 8:05 p.m., Commissioner Carrano MOVED to adjourn; SECONDED by Commissioner Suggs. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Collins
Recording Clerk