

TOWN OF EAST LYME  
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 9, 2024

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EAST LYME, CT

MINUTES

2024 MAY 13 P 4: 04

Members Present: Tony Buglione, Regina Hitchery, Joe Perkins, Dan Price, Stephen Rebelowski and Paul Vincenti

Members Absent: Resa Spaziani

Staff Present: Chief Finkelstein, Lt. Jezierski, Lt. Macek and First Selectman Dan Cunningham

1. Chairman D. Price called the meeting to order at 5:56 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Delegations
  - B. Kadian, 1 Darrows Ct., East Lyme, CT – Addressed board members and staff of his concerns regarding burglaries within the community.
  - B. Shah, 3 Grooms Way, East Lyme, CT – Addressed board members and staff of his concerns regarding burglaries within the community.
  - Y. Tu, 8 Paddock Road, East Lyme, CT – Addressed board members and staff of her concerns regarding burglaries within the community.
  - Y. Srinivasa, 15 Paddock Road, East Lyme CT – Addressed board members and staff of his concerns regarding burglaries within the community.
  - L. Caskey, 1 Grooms Way, East Lyme, CT - Addressed board members and staff regarding her concerns regarding burglaries within the community.
3. Approval of March 14, 2024, Meeting Minutes
  - Motion:** Motion made by P. Vincenti, seconded by R. Hitchery to approve the March 14, 2024 meeting minutes.
  - Vote:** 6-0-0 (all in favor)
4. Old Business
  - Summer meeting start date:

The Board of Police Commissioners will continue to meet monthly on the second Thursday of each month including July and August.
  - Golf cart follow up-Attawan Beach & Crescent Beach:

Lt. Macek referred to the June 8, 2023, meeting minutes, specifically a bullet point regarding use of the turnaround, that was to be added to the Giants Neck Heights Golf Cart Permitted Road Map. There was a brief discussion between First Selectman D. Cunningham, board members and the Chief regarding the golf cart ordinance, regulations, and mapping. First Selectman D. Cunningham will have the town attorney draft an amendment

to show Attawan Beach as a community that allows golf carts and Crescent Beach will be removed as a community allowing carts. The maps will be updated to reflect all these amendments. The draft will be presented to the Board of Police Commissioners for approval.

5. New Business

Parking signage Oak Grove Beach:

M. Scrivano, 5 Barrett Drive, Niantic, CT – M. Scrivano discussed traffic signage within the community that she would like changes made to. After a discussion between Chief Finkelstein, First Selectman D. Cunningham and the board members the issue will be redirected to Public Works to see what was previously approved and for their review.

6. Lt. Report's

Lt. Macek reported on:

- Vehicle fleet update
- Niantic 5K, Touch A Truck, Memorial Day & E. Lyme Day
- Session II LEC/graduation
- Preparing for boating season/Coast Guard meeting
- SRT update

Lt. Jezierski reported on:

- Accreditation assessment
- Review of Putnam Dept. standards with Chief Finkelstein
- Calea accreditation manager training
- Increase in request for body cam/video footage
- Staffing

7. Chief's Report – Chief Finkelstein acknowledged the community members in attendance, their concerns regarding their communities and the burglaries that have been committed. The Chief mentioned both Lieutenants and the amount of work they perform. Chief Finkelstein discussed with board members the number of hours and the work involved with the accreditation process. In moving forward a realignment of job duties may be necessary. He reviewed his monthly report for March & April 2024. (Exhibit 1&2)

8. Communications – There were none

9. Chairman's Report – D. Price asked First Selectman Cunningham for clarification on when an executive session is warranted. First Selectman Cunningham stated instances that involve any matters of a personal nature, when formatting any questions for new hires or legal matters would be cause for an executive session.

10. Public Comment – There was none
11. Commission Response – J. Perkins would like one of the Animal Control Officer's to attend a meeting possibly quarterly. P. Vincenti confirmed one position available currently, the Chief confirmed.
12. Adjournment –  
**Motion:** Made by D. Price, seconded by J. Perkins to adjourn at 6:49 p.m.  
**Vote:** 6-0-0 (all in favor)

Respectfully submitted,

  
Leanne Santos  
Recording Secretary

# EAST LYME POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief's Monthly Report – March 2024



## **Noteworthy Incidents/Information**

Successfully completed peer led mock assessment for Tier 1

## **Staffing**

Officer remains on light duty after surgery

## **Administrative**

### USE OF FORCE REVIEW

March - 0

### ACCREDITATION RELATED INSPECTION REPORT(S)

March- 3 Inspection/Reports

### TECHNOLOGY REVIEW

Assign and review of monthly Sergeant  
review of BWC use per policy

### Crime Analysis

- 3.49% increase in NIBRS crime  
YTD 2024 over 2023 (148  
crimes)

### Training

Watson/Cutillo – Recertification  
Monthly SRT training  
Priest/Willett – SWAT team leader

**East Lyme Police Department in  
the news**

**Former East  
Lyme assisted  
living employee  
accused of  
assaulting  
elderly person in  
November, police  
say**

By [Jessica Bravo](#), Staff writer March  
17, 2024

**Police arrest  
Springfield man  
wanted in East  
Lyme assault,  
stalking  
investigation**

by: [Jenn Brink](#)  
Posted: Mar 16, 2024 / 01:38 PM ED

East Lyme Police Department Monthly Report

Statistical Activity Summary

**TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE- ELPD Dispatch**

Calls for Service	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2024	1234	1149	1171										4,054

Note: Includes miscellaneous calls that may not be listed under the call analysis section

**CALLS FOR SERVICE—DETAILED**

Calls for Service - Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
911 Abandon/Hang Up	48	54	47										149
Alarms	32	38	35										105
Animal Incident	14	15	19										48
Assist Citizen/Complaint	78	101	91										270
Assist Other Agency	19	28	32										79
Disabled MV	12	16	19										47
Disturbance	12	11	14										37
Erratic Operation	8	6	8										22
Larceny	21	12	7										40
Lockouts	8	8	7										23
Parking Complaints	3	8	11										22
Patrol/Bank /Building Checks	109	105	131										345
Psych/Suicidal calls	11	12	8										31
Suspicious Pers/Veh/Incident	17	16	25										58
Untimely Death	3	3	4										10
Well Being Check	23	18	16										57
Vandalism	4	0	2										6

**\*\*Selected areas of CFS only\*\***







# EAST LYME POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief's Monthly Report – April 2024



## **Noteworthy Incidents/Information**

Successfully completed peer led mock assessment for Tier 1

Eastern Regional Police Academy Graduation May 31<sup>st</sup>.

## **Staffing**

Officer remains on light duty after surgery

## **Administrative**

### USE OF FORCE REVIEW

April -0

### PURSUIT REVIEW

April -1

### TECHNOLOGY REVIEW

Assign and review of monthly Sergeant review of BWC use per policy

### Crime Analysis

- -7.6% increase in NIBRS crime YTD 2024 over 2023 (182 crimes)

### Training

SRT monthly training

Baldino -Firearms Instructor

Langman/Dube – Hold the line K9 training

Priest/Favalora – Peer support refresher

Caramante – Physical fitness instructor

Hanna – Transnational elder fraud

Levandoski- Recert

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**TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE- ELPD Dispatch**

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2024	1234	1149	1171	1139									5,193

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**CALLS FOR SERVICE—DETAILED**

Calls for Service - Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
911 Abandon/Hang Up	48	54	47	50									199
Alarms	32	38	35	28									133
Animal Incident	14	15	19	23									71
Assist Citizen/Complaint	78	101	91	87									357
Assist Other Agency	19	28	32	23									102
Disabled MV	12	16	19	13									60
Disturbance	12	11	14	12									49
Erratic Operation	8	6	8	6									28
Larceny	21	12	7	10									40
Lockouts	8	8	7	8									41
Parking Complaints	3	8	11	5									27
Patrol/Bank/Building Checks	109	105	131	128									473
Psych/Suicidal calls	11	12	8	8									39
Suspicious Pers/Veh/Incident	17	16	25	20									78
Untimely Death	3	3	4	4									14
Well Being Check	23	18	16	26									83
Vandalism	4	0	2	6									12

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