

Town of East Lyme  
Board of Police Commissioners  
July 14, 2025, Regular Meeting

MINUTES

Members Present: Tony Buglione, Regina Hitchery, Joe Perkins, Stephen Rebelowski,  
Resa Spaziani and Paul Vincenti

Members Absent: Dan Price

Staff Present: Acting Chief Macek, First Selectman Dan Cunningham and  
Recording Secretary Leanne Santos

1. Vice Chairman J. Perkins called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Delegations – There were none.
3. Approval of Minutes:
  - a. **MOTION:** Made by S. Rebelowski, seconded by P. Vincenti to approve the June 9, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes  
**VOTE:** 6-0-0 (all in favor)
  - b. **MOTION:** Made by S. Rebelowski, seconded by P. Vincenti to approve the June 23, 2025, Special Meeting Minutes  
**VOTE:** 6-0-0 (all in favor)
4. New Business:
  - a. Medal Presentation by Chief Macek  
Officer Langman and Officer Coscarelli both received Life Saving Medals for their actions related to a medical call.  
  
**MOTION:** Made by P. Vincenti, seconded by R. Hitchery to amend the agenda to add under New Business, Item c, Continuation of discussion related to E. Birk complaint.  
**VOTE:** 6-0-0 (all in favor)
  - b. Presentation by Justin Hanna, Union President  
J. Hanna presented to Commissioners a Recruitment and Retention proposal that outlined surrounding town's step increase schedule and pay scales. He discussed with Commissioners where East Lyme compares in these areas and presented recommendations to members and staff in attendance. The Commission would like the Board of Selectman and Board of Finance to see the presentation.
  - c. Discussion related to E. Birk complaint  
P. Vincenti discussed with members how to resolve Ms. Birk's concerns. First Selectman Dan Cunningham will consult with the Town Attorney for guidance.



5. Acting Chief's Report – Exhibit 1 attached (ACO report included)
6. Ex-Officio Report – First Selectman D. Cunningham reported on the following:
  - \*Brownfield Grant
  - \*FOI hearing
  - \*Town Hall modification
  - \*Firefighter staffing
  - \*Update on AHEPA elevator
7. Commissioner Report(s) – There were none given
8. Public Comment – There was no public comment
9. Commissioners' Response – There were none given
10. Executive Session – For the purpose of discussing and preparing Police Chief interview questions  
**MOTION:** Made by R. Hitchery, seconded by T. Buglione to enter into Executive Session @ 7:37 p.m.  
**VOTE:** 6-0-0(all in favor)  
**MOTION:** Made by R. Hitchery, seconded by S. Rebelowski to close and exit Executive Session @ 9:00 p.m.  
**VOTE:** 6-0-0 (all in favor)  
\*\*\*No votes were taken during Executive Session\*\*\*
11. Discussion and possible action related to Executive Session  
There was no discussion of or action related to the Executive Session
12. Adjournment:  
**MOTION:** Made by P. Vincenti, seconded by R. Spaziani to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 p.m.  
**VOTE:** 6-0-0 (all in favor)

Submitted by,  
Leanne Santos  
Recording Secretary



**Town of East Lyme  
Connecticut  
Police Department**

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*Michael K. Maccek*  
Chief of Police

**June 2025**

- No King's event 06/14 on Liberty Green (Main and Penn) no issues
- Amtrak Incident 06/21
- Worked with Amtrak to better secure access to the tracks in the area of Columbus and Katherine/Haigh. They immediately responded. I had them add additional fencing and signage. They added no trespassing, danger high voltage and High speed electric train signs.
- K-9 Demonstration Niantic Center School
- The Shack restaurant break-in, enter two other businesses to gain access
- Close purchase orders, wrap up F/Y 24/25 budget, transfers
- Signed Fireworks permit for East Lyme Day
- FOI hearing in Hartford
- Met with GM2 to discuss the upcoming spans for the 95 SB bridge, detour plans, and road closures.
- Celebrate East Lyme Day meeting
- Received a letter from Montville police department for K-9 Office Langman and Dom (see attached)
- Note from DESPP for assistance/help when the new livescan process got up and running
- Received two need speed detection signs from the CTDOT Uconn T2 center. These included 7 years of free software.
- Second look at burglary cases in Darrow's Ridge area.
- Multiple policies have been updated and published in June, see attached list
- Radio committee meeting

- Change of radio/communication vendors
- LTA- Revisiting the RRFB (rectangular rapid flash beacons) for installation on Main Street at Baptist Lane crosswalk. Have to discuss with Jo B. and the town, once ownership is taken, will be responsible for the rrfb and sidewalk ramp maintenance. (could not follow up this week as email was down)
- Picked up new trailer for the Maritime Skiff
- Working with Waterford for the FY CIP improvements to the regional boat
- Stats for the month
  - Total Arrests for June= 6 (11 between 07/01-07/10)
  - Citations June = 51
  - Total MV accidents June= 25
  - Reportable CFS June= 1532
  - DRE callouts – None for the month of June
  - K-9 use May Dom= 5
    - Cooper=1



## Monthly Report June 2025

	WATERFORD	EAST LYME
CALLS FOR SERVICE	122	36
AFTER HOURS CALL OUTS	5	0
TICKETS ISSUED	1	1
WARNINGS ISSUED	0	0
DOG BITES	8	1
ANIMALS REDEEMED	3	6
ANIMALS ADOPTED	7	0
ANIMALS DOA	0	0
EUTHANIZED	1 aggressive dog	0
ANIMALS PROCESSED TOTAL	11	6
TOTAL MONEY TAKEN IN	\$ 280.00	\$ 40.00
DONATIONS TAKEN IN	\$ 15.00	\$ 10.00

- 1) 6/9/25 Animal Control had to euthanize a large pit bull dog who was found roaming and never claimed, the dog became progressively more aggressive to other dogs and people. If the dog was adopted out and subsequently bit someone, the civil liability to the towns became too great. As always an ACO accompanies the dog to the vets to provide some comfort and kindness as the dog passed from this world.
- 2) 6/10/25 Animal control received a call from a very irate citizen complaining about numerous seagulls in the neighborhood who are pooping on everything. She believed that a neighbor feeding stray cats in the neighborhood was responsible for attracting the seagulls. Neither seagulls nor feeding stray cats are issues that animal control can address, but we did have a lengthy conversation with her and provided numerous options that she could implement to encourage the seagulls to go somewhere else.



- 3) 6/23/25 Coffee with a cop event in Waterford.



- 4) Springtime is here and the wild animal baby calls keep rolling in, raccoons, possums, hawks, owls, turtles, and skunks. While none of these species fall under the purview of animal control, we often respond to try and help the wildlife if we can. This month we actually took in three baby skunks, caring for them and feeding them until we could track down one of only two skunk rehabilitators in the state where we could bring them.



