

**EAST HAVEN BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSION  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
EAST HAVEN SENIOR CENTER  
SEPTEMBER 28, 2010**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Honorable Board of Police Commission was held on Tuesday, August 28, 2010.

Meeting called to order at: 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Frederick Brow

Roll Call: Virginia Williams, Secretary

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Chairman Frederick Brow, Vice-Chairman Joseph Civitello, Commissioners Frank Piergrossi, Marie Saddig and James Krebs.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Acting Chief Gaetano J. Nappi, Deputy Chief John Mannion, President Local 1662 Sgt. Frank Montagna, Treasurer Local 1662 Anthony Rybaruck and citizens.

Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

Approval of Minutes: August 31, 2010

A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Civitello to approve the minutes of August 31, 2010 as received, seconded by Commissioner Piergrossi. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Departmental Reports: September 2010

A motion was made by Commissioner Piergrossi to accept the Departmental Reports as received, seconded by Vice-Chairman Krebs. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Brow asked the Chief about the proposed stop signs on Laurel Street. The Chief responded that the new larger signs arrived today and should be put up this week.

The Chief was asked about the increased bus traffic on Hudson Street. The Chief responded that due to the consolidation of the schools, there is more traffic. He stated he spoke with Mr. Serio, Superintendent of Schools and they worked out an agreement regarding the placement of officers at this intersection. The Board of Education has agreed to absorb the additional cost for these officers. The Chief also suggested more signage on Hudson and Union Avenue.

Vice-Chairman Krebs asked the Chief what was the outcome of the Battle of the Bands. Chief Nappi stated that he has spoke with Keith Bouve and according to Mr. Bouve he expects over 500 people and vendors. So far, there have been no permits issued for vendors. He told Mr. Bouve that he would need at least 5 police officers inasmuch as Hemingway Avenue is

dangerous for crossing, etc. The Chief also stated that they would have to pay the Fire Department if they had to supply people. I plan to talk to the Fire Chief tomorrow and get more definite answers . The Chief also reported that he found out about this at the last minute.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Terri Copola, Pamela Hopkins and Mr. Hopkins from Hemingway Avenue: Addressed the Board regarding Mango's Bar & Grill on Hemingway Avenue. They all reported that there is a noise issue, yelling and screaming, fighting etc., They stated that the police do come and once the police leave they start up all over again. They all complained that there were other businesses there before Mango's and that never was an issue. Cars screech out of the driveway and this week-end some patrons were actually dancing in the street. They continued to state that the police were very helpful when they came. This goes on mostly on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, into the wee hours of the morning. They commented that they did confront the bar owner this past weekend about the noise, etc. but got nowhere.

Chairman Brow suggested that they don't confront them again.

Commissioner Piergrossi said he was pleased to hear our officers were doing a good job.

Chief Nappi commented that recommendations can be made to the Liquor Commission, he would also talk to the Fire Marshall and schedule another meeting with the owners.

The citizens thanked the board.

John Sullo, Johnny's Garage: Addressed the board and asked if the cap was still at 4 with the towing list.

Commissioner Krebs commented that the board hasn't change any cap but it's with the Town Council right now.

Paul Hongo, Deputy Director of Town Affairs, commented that the Council is having another public hearing.

Chairman Brow reiterated that it's been taken out of the boards hands.

#### CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED/SENT

1. St Clare's Parish, Re: Thank you to Detective Ranfone
2. Nicole Buzzanco, Re: Vehicle problems on Dewey Avenue
3. Sally Cammararo: Re: Thank you regarding signage on Cosey Beach & Phillips

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** No report

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Consider and act upon Police Union Grievance Local 1662 No. 10-06, tabled at last month's meeting.

Chairman Brow suggested that we go into Executive Session. Union President Sgt. Frank Montagna agreed.

A motion was made Commissioner Krebs that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss the Grievances, with Chief Nappi, Deputy Chief Mannion, Union President Sgt. Montagna Union Treasurer Anthony Rybaruck and Paul Hongo Deputy Director of Town Affairs present, seconded by Commissioner Piergrossi. All in favor.

Time: 7:33 p.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Krebs to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Piergrossi. All in favor.

Time: 8:25 p.m.

Chairman Brow thanked the members of Local 1662 for coming this evening to resolve the grievances.

A motion was made by Commissioner Krebs to sustain Grievances No. 10-02, 10-05 and 10-06, subject to the reconciliation of amounts due between the Union and the Chiefs office, seconded by Vice-Chairman Civitello. All in favor.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Consider and act upon Police Union Grievance Local 1662 No. 10-11

A motion was made by Commissioner Krebs to sustain Grievance 10-11, subject to the reconciliation of amounts due between the Union and the Chiefs office, seconded by Vice-Chairman Civitello. All in favor.

2. Consider and act upon Police Union Grievance Local 1662 No. 10-12

A motion was made by Commissioner Krebs to sustain Grievance No. 10-12, subject to the reconciliation of amounts due between the Union and the Chiefs office, seconded by Vice-Chairman Civitello. All in favor.

3. Consider and act upon Police Union Grievance Local 1662 No. 10-13

**A motion was made by Commissioner Krebs to deny Grievance No. 10-13, seconded by Vice-Chairman Civitello. All in favor**

**4. Consider and act upon Police Union Grievance Local 1662 No. 10-14**

**A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Civitello to deny Grievance No. 10-14, seconded by Commissioner Krebs. All in favor.**

**5. Consider and act upon Police Union Grievance Local 1662 No. 10-15**

**A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Civitello to deny Grievance No. 10-15, seconded by Commissioner Piergrossi. All in favor.**

**6. Consider and act upon Police Union Grievance Local 1662 No. 10-16**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Piergrossi to deny Grievance No. 10-16, seconded by Vice-Chairman Civitello. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**7. To consider and act upon Signage on Dewey Avenue**

**Chairman Brow commented that both he and Commissioner Piergrossi went to this area and feel there is sufficient signage, but possibly the direction of the signs are confusing.**

**8. To consider and act upon adding signage on Laurel Street (3 Way Stop)**

**Chief Nappi stated that reflected mirrors were asked for, but he did not think it was a good idea. He stated he has ordered larger Stop Signs and when they become available he will have them erected , one on Laurel and one on View Street.**

**9. To consider and act upon signage on Hudson Street**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Krebs that No Parking Signs on the south side of the Street from North High and Hudson and Hudson to Hudson and Union Avenue also on the North Side, No Parking from the corner of Hudson 7 North High to the entrance of the middle school be erected, seconded by Vice-Chairman Civitello. All in favor.**

**10. To consider and act upon hiring a traffic maintenance person at the East Haven Police Department.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Krebs that the board start the interview process once they have had the opportunity to review the applications, seconded by Commissioner Piergrossi. All in favor.**

**Chief Nappi commented that the candidates would be subject to background checks also.**

**A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Civitello to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Krebs. All in favor. Chairman Brow adjourned meeting at 8:35 p.m.**

**Respectfully Submitted**

**Virginia Williams, Secretary**

