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Minutes

November 12, 2025

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus called the November 12, 2025, Police Commission Special meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., in the Assembly Room, Plymouth Town Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus led the Plymouth Police Commission and the Public Audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present were Police Commissioner George Castle, Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus, Police Commissioner Reggie Powell, Police Commissioner Tim Murawski and Police Commissioner Walter Seaman. Also in attendance were Police Chief Karen Krasicky and Sergeant Chris Latimer.

Approve Minutes of prior meetings: (August 13, 2025, August 26, 2025, and October 15, 2025)

Police Commissioner George Castle made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner Tim Murawski, to accept the Police Commission August 13, 2025, Minutes as presented. Vote: Police Commissioner George Castle/yes; Police Commissioner Reggie Powell/yes; Police Commissioner Tim Murawski/yes; Police Commissioner Walter Seaman/abstained; motion passed 3 in favor/1 abstention.

Police Commissioner Tim Murawski made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner Reggie Powell, to accept the Police Commission August 26, 2025, Minutes as presented. Vote: Police Commissioner George Castle/yes; Police Commissioner Reggie Powell/yes; Police Commissioner Tim Murawski/yes; Police Commissioner Walter Seaman/abstained; motion passed 3 in favor/1 abstention.

Police Commissioner Tim Murawski made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner George Castle, to accept the Police Commission October 15, 2025, Minutes as presented. Vote: Police Commissioner George Castle/yes; Police Commissioner Reggie Powell/yes; Police Commissioner Tim Murawski/yes; Police Commissioner Walter Seaman/abstained; motion passed 3 in favor/1 abstention.

Public Comment

No report.

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Traffic Authority Business

Parking Ticket Appeal from Ms. Donna Bonasera

When questioned by Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus, Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated Donna Bonasera had parked in a handicap parking spot and had stated that she had applied for a Handicap Parking Permit but had not received it at the time she received the parking ticket violation.

When questioned by Police Commissioner Tim Murawski, Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated the parking violation was reported by telephone, noting it was shown in the Incident Report in the Police Commissioner's packets.

When questioned by Police Commissioner George Castle, Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated when Donna Bonaera came in to make the appeal, she was questioned by the Police Records Clerk and stated she had only applied for a Handicap Parking Permit and had not received it as yet.

When questioned by Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus, Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated she did not know if Donna Bonasera was elderly or had difficulty walking.

Police Commissioner Walter Seaman stated Donna Bonasera owns a dance ballet studio in Torrington.

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated that Donna Bonasera informed the Police Records Clerk that she had thought because she had applied for a Handicap Parking Permit when a Police Officer checked her license plate it would show the permit was pending.

Police Commissioner Reggie Powell stated there was no grey area; a person either has the permit, or they don't have it; a brief discussion followed.

Police Commissioner Walter Seaman made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner Tim Murawski, to table this Agenda item until the December Police Commission meeting. This motion was approved unanimously.

Request from Michael Zych for a left turn green arrow or signage indicating westbound traffic has a longer green light for the westbound traffic for the traffic light at the intersection of Route 6 and South Main Street

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated if a vehicle is traveling west by Terryville Pizza/South Main Street people who are stopped at the light and are taking a left don't realize there is a light delay, so they wait, noting usually when there is a delayed light there is a left turn green arrow which changes to orange, and then disappears, or a sign which reads "Oncoming Traffic is Delayed." She further stated the signage could help improve traffic flow by reducing the backup of westbound traffic.

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Carl Johnson stated the entire intersection is being renovated and there will be no lights due to the Route 6/Agney Avenue State Project by the State Department of Transportation (DOT). He further stated DOT is currently doing drainage work and expects to start up work in the springtime and briefly elaborated. Carl Johnson stated there will be a traffic light at Agney Avenue/North Main Street and a light at Prosect Street/Route 6-Main Street. He further stated there will be barricades at the bottom of South Main Street, so no one will be able to travel up the one-way street; a brief discussion followed.

Police Commissioner George Castle made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner Reggie Powell, to have Police Chief Karen Krasicky send a letter with Michael Zych's request to the State Department of Transportation. This motion was approved unanimously.

Request from Jason Hotchkiss for a Speed Bump and Speed Control Signage on Harwinton Avenue

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated Jason Hotchkiss had informed her that vehicles go through the Stop Sign at a high rate of speed (well over 25 mph), noting that she had told him the Police Department could monitor it and add it to the radar request list.

Police Commissioner Tim Murawski stated it cannot be at a high rate of speed because of the condition of the road.

Carl Johnson stated Public Works has a Sign Inventory Program with over 1,600 traffic safety signs and they can put up more speed limit signs in this area.

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated the speed limit signs along with the radar would help.

When questioned by Police Commissioner Walter Seamon, Carl Johnson stated he was unsure if any traffic signage had been removed on Harwinton Avenue when construction was done on the road; a brief discussion followed.

Police Commissioner Walter Seaman made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner Tim Murawski, to add Speed Limit signage to the area in question on Harwinton Avenue. This motion was approved unanimously.

Request from Michael Zych for Sharp Turn Signage facing in both directions on Agney Avenue in the area of the ninety degree turn

Carl Johnson briefly explained accelerating a vehicle with a sharp turn, knowing the turn is 100 miles away, would be foolish. He noted that again, the State is working on this area, and he can bring it up with the Project Manager when they redo Agney Avenue.

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Police Commissioner George Gerooge made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner Tim Murawski, to direct Carl Johnson to bring the sharp turn issue to the DOT Project Manager and request signage for the area. This motion was approved unanimously.

Request from Diana Hamzy for a Speed Sign or Bump on the incline before the driveway of 298 North Harwinton Avenue (Pending)

Carl Johnson stated he agrees this area is an issue, noting Speed Limit signage can be installed and will help. He further stated Speed Bumps affect Emergency Service vehicles, and are not the answer to the problem.

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated Diana Hamzy's mother had also requested a Hidden Driveway sign.

Carl Johnson stated the Hidden Driveway signage would be placed 40 feet from the resident's driveway which gives the traveling vehicle a three second notice.

Police Commissioner George Castle made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner Reggie Powell, to install a total of four signs, two Speed Limit signs and two Hidden Driveway signs per Diana Hamzy's request, in both directions. This motion was approved unanimously.

Carl Johnson stated he will consult with Highway Supervisor Jim Schultz regarding the signage.

Old Business

No report.

New Business

Discuss and take action on the 2026 Plymouth Police Meeting Schedule

Police Commissioner George Castle made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner Reggie Powell, to approve the 2026 Police Commission Meeting schedule as presented, noting the meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m., with the exception of the November 18, 2026, meeting which is on the third Wednesday due to the Town Hall Veteran's Day closing. This motion was approved unanimously.

Discuss and take action to accept the Chief's Report

When questioned by Police Commissioner Tim Murawski, Sergeant Chris Latimer briefly explained the two road jobs reporting shown on the Incident Report Analysis report; a brief discussion followed.

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Discuss and take action to accept the Chief's Report Cont'd.

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated she wanted to say job well done with the 217 patrol checks, noting the Police Officers had a lot of different things going on.

When questioned by Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus, Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated there are a lot of accidents for following too closely on Main Street/Route 6 and going downhill towards Carter Road.

Sergeant Chris Latimer stated during rush hour in the afternoon, driving westbound towards the sun, there are a lot more accidents.

When questioned by Police Commissioner George Castle, Sergeant Chris Latimer stated third shift is from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.

When questioned by Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus, Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated the department has gone through a little more than half the budget for overtime, noting slots have to be filled for Police Officers to go to training. She further stated a citizen had turned himself in last week on a Friday and that causes Prison Watch for the weekend on all three shifts, and this happens at times.

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated the Police Officers had Range Training and Low Light Shooting for the month of October, noting it was an eight hour day, which has to be done annually. She further stated that it can only be done safely at the range at the Police Academy in Meriden.

When questioned by Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus, Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated they are still interviewing for the police officer position. She further stated there are three candidates who are already certified and she is waiting on background checks.

Police Commissioner Tim Murawski made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner Reggie Powell, to accept the Chief's Report as presented. This motion was approved unanimously.

Commissioner's Comments

Police Commissioner Tim Murawski stated it is too bad that the Public cannot see the Incident Analysis, along with all of the training that the Police Officers have to do.

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated people are always asking why the Town has so many Police Officers because no one sees the reports.

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated Police Training has increased substantially, noting that three of the Corporals are in First Line Supervisor Training next week. She further stated EMR Training is scheduled for next week with five Police Officers attending because their certification will be expiring. Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated several Police Officers will also be going for their

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certification in April and others spread out through the current fiscal year, noting there are ten in total, including her but there is no overtime for her training, and that it adds up.

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated the Police Officers have a hard job and they do it great, even with less people.

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated she wanted to congratulate Sergeant Chris Latimer for getting his master's degree.

Adjournment

There being no further business of the Plymouth Police Commission, Police Commissioner Tim Murawski made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner Reggie Powell, to adjourn at 6:33 p.m. This motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patricia A. Hale
Recording Secretary