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March 11, 2026

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus called the March 11, 2026, Police Commission Regular 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, and Police Commissioner Walter Seaman. Excused Absence: Police Commissioner Tim Murawski. Also present were Town Council Liaison Sue Boilard, Police Chief Karen Krasicky, and Police Sergeant Chris Latimer.

Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting (February 11, 2026)

Police Commissioner George Castle made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner Reggie Powell, to approve and accept the February 11, 2026, Minutes as presented. This motion was approved unanimously.

Public Comment

No report.

Traffic Authority Business

Request from John Murphy to reduce Route 6 eastbound to one lane of traffic in the area of the intersection of Route 6 and Carter Road (Pending)

Police Commissioner Walter Seaman noted State Senator Henri Martin and State Representative Joe Hoxha had agreed to assist the Police Commission, the Chief of Police and the Mayor's Office in writing a letter to the State of CT Department of Transportation (DOT) for assistance with the Route 6 and Carter Road issue. He further stated he was informed that the DOT will not speak to State Senator Martin and State Representative Hoxha without hearing first from the Town of Plymouth. He further stated he is working with the Mayor's Office and the Chief of Police on the requested letter, noting State Senator Martin and State Representative Hoxha aided him on what to say in the correspondence. Police Commissioner Walter Seaman stated he is coordinating with the Chief of Police and will get the letter sent to the DOT.

Police Commissioner George Castle stated it was his understanding that another accident had occurred on Route 6 in the same area and questioned if anyone was hurt.

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Traffic Authority Business Cont'd.

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated the vehicle cited by Police Commissioner George Castle failed to yield, noting it was coming out of Carter Road onto Route 6 and was hit by oncoming traffic.

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

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated Traffic Authority Agenda items a. through e. are all pending.

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 (Pending)

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated Traffic Authority Agenda items a. through e. are all pending.

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

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated Traffic Authority Agenda items a. through e. are all pending.

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

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated Traffic Authority Agenda items a. through e. are all pending.

Old Business

No report.

New Business

No report.

Discuss and take action to accept the Chief's Report

Police Commissioner Reggie Powell stated he had no comments at this time regarding the Chief's Report.

When questioned by Police Commissioner George Castle, Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated there were Sexual Assault investigations in Town and shown in her Chief's Report.

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Chief's Report Cont'd.

Police Commissioner Walter Seaman stated he had no comments at this time regarding the Chief's Report.

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated she wanted to commend the Police Department Police Officers, noting she found the monthly report to be mind boggling and she cannot believe what is going on and so much of it. She further stated so many people say Plymouth doesn't need so many Police Officers, noting there is nothing about these incidents in the newspapers and people don't see it. Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated many times cars get stopped for speeding and the Police Officers find the driver doesn't have a license or insurance, and some have warrants out on them and there is so much of it. Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated people wouldn't expect this large amount of crime in a small Town, but it is here. Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated every single shift had a lot of things going on and they handled it all really well.

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated she tried to cut the report down, noting every shift was very busy. Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated they had a female prisoner in custody for warrants for a weekend, noting the prisoner wasn't feeling well and the Police Officers (by State law) had to bring her to the hospital three separate times.

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated the Commission can't give out names, but she wants the public to be careful and lock their cars and homes. She further stated she's still surprised at the crimes and appreciates the Police Department Police Officers for keeping our Town safe.

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated she had read the Town had received the two solar powered speed limit signs from the State and questioned if they would be placed in different/certain places.

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated that all Connecticut towns and cities received the solar powered speed limit signs and noted they can be attached to a post and moved around to different places in Town. Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated according to the State agreement, the signs have to be initially placed on municipal roads, but then they can be moved to State roads that run through the town, noting the Police Commission had previously discussed using them on Main Street. Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated the signs have to be put out within four months of receipt, noting she received them on February 9th, and they are waiting for the ground to thaw before they are installed. Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated the signs are much lighter than the previous ones. She further stated the signs collect data (time of day, the date, the number of vehicles, and the actual speed) and for the next seven years the Town doesn't have to pay for maintenance or cloud storage, noting the State had received funds for them from a grant.

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated she had checked with the Mayor to find out if he was okay with these terms of the agreement because the Town will be responsible for them after the seven years is up.

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated when the signs are in a set place people know and remember, but when you move them all around people won't know.

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Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated in addition to these two signs the department also has the trailer and the mounted box, making four speed alert units in total.

When questioned by Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus, Police Sergeant Chris Latimer stated he did not believe the radar speed limit signs work because they become a video game to see how fast people can go until they get some repercussions from it.

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated it works with some people; however, Police Sergeant Chris Latimer is correct.

Police Commissioner Walter Seaman stated he had to drive to Washington, CT, and they worked with him.

When questioned by Police Commissioner George Castle, Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated the Police Officers inspect each cell before each shift and when someone leaves the cell.

Police Sergeant Chris Latimer stated when his shift begins, he checks every cell visually to make sure no one is in the cell and that there is no contraband in the cell. He further stated that basically he puts eyes on them to make sure they are safe.

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated when there is someone in the cell the Police Officers do regular checks; they are on video camera, plus they do regular walk-in checks every 30 minutes. She further stated if they are on suicide watch they are watching the person on camera and do a walk-in every 15 minutes.

When questioned by Police Commissioner George Castle, Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated the department does get overnight guests on the third shift.

When questioned by Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus if the new Police Officers are helping to keep the over budget overtime down, Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated they are still in training. She further stated the female Police Officer trainee should be finished training and out on her own on March 16th and the second Police Officer should be done with his training sometime in April.

Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated every year she puts in for a true budget number for the Overtime and every year it gets cut. She further stated she knew the department was going to take a hit with the people that left, as well as with the extra training, noting the department tries its best.

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated there is also the State mandates that must be followed.

When questioned by Police Commissioner George Castle, Police Chief Karen Krasicky stated both new Police Officers were doing very well.

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Chief's Report Cont'd.

Police Sergeant Chris Latimer stated both Police Officers are fitting right in and seem like good additions.

Police Commissioner Walter Seaman 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 Reggie Powell stated he had no Commissioner Comments at this time.

Police Commissioner George Castle stated he had no Commissioner Comments at this time.

Police Commissioner Walter Seaman stated he had no Commissioner Comments at this time.

Police Commission Chairwoman Cathy Paskus stated that she just wanted to say thank you again to the Police Officers for what they are doing and she also wanted to thank the Chief as well.

Adjournment

There being no further business of the Plymouth Police Commission, Police Commissioner Walter Seaman made a motion, seconded by Police Commissioner Reggie Powell, to adjourn at 6:13 p.m. This motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia A. Hale

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Recording Secretary