

**NORTH BRANFORD BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS**  
**Regular Meeting of April 14, 2008**

**Monday, April 14, 2008**  
**5:00 p.m.**

**North Branford Police Headquarters**  
**Meeting/Training Room**

Chairman Troiano called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

**1. ROLL CALL**

Chairman G. Dan Troiano  
Vice Chairman John Lappie  
Commissioner Timothy Ryan  
Commissioner John Landolfi  
Commissioner T. Jerry Juliano  
Police Chief Matthew Canelli  
Deputy Police Chief Michael Doody  
Vincent Caprio, Liason to the Town Council

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 10, 2008**

VOTE #1: Commissioner Ryan moved, seconded by Vice Chairman Lappie to accept the minutes of March 10, 2008. The motion was carried unanimously.

**3. Reports**

- a. Chairman – none
- b. Clerk - none
- c. Chief

Chief Canelli presented the following reports for April 2008 and the First Quarter of 2008: Incident Activity Report, Detective/Youth Bureau Activity and the Vehicle Maintenance Report.

Chief Canelli also stated that he will have a problem with overtime and the budget stating that he is guessing with all of the officers that are out that he will be about \$35,000 in the red with the overtime budget.

VOTE #2: Commissioner Landolfi moved, seconded by Vice Chairman Lappie to accept the Chiefs reports. The motion was carried unanimously.

#### **4. OLD BUSINESS - None**

#### **5. NEW BUSINESS**

##### a. Underage Drinking Grant Update

Lieutenant D' Ancicco stated that he went up to Hartford to discuss the coalition of underage drinking that the governor is holding. He went on to say that our first year of working on the underage drinking, we were able to get a \$20,000 grant which resulted in 67 arrests, the second year we were able to get a \$30,000 grant with resulted in 151 arrests and normally that would be all that we would be allowed for grants, however, since we were having such great success, they allowed us to go for the grant again this year which will be almost \$31,000 and to date since 1-1-08, we have had 50 arrests. This will be the last year we will be able to get the grant, so for next year, we will need to come up with some ideas.

##### b. Active Shooter Response Policy

Officer Popolizio discussed the active shooter response policy with the Commission.

VOTE #3: Commissioner Landolfi moved, seconded by Vice Chairman Lappie to accept the policy and make it part of the rules and regulations. The motion was carried unanimously.

##### c. Budget Update

Chief Canelli stated that the Town Manager cut our budget by \$44,000 and by doing so, he reduced our fuel consumption to 25,000 gallons. I have the past three years records of how much fuel we have used. I don't know what I can do to make up the 4,600 gallons of lost fuel. I don't want to be criticized for not meeting the budget, but what I don't understand is why the Town Manager did not come to me regarding this. I have three years of solid history that we use approximately 28,000 gallons a year.

Chief Canelli also stated that the overtime budget was also cut by \$20,000 and if I am in the red for the 2007 budget, what is \$20,000 less going to do for next year. With a 3% pay increase per the officer's contract, that will make it even worse.

d. Manpower Shortage

With so many officers out on disability, the only way I can get coverage is to be down to 1 person in the detective bureau. I have the deputy chief learning what needs to be done in court and effective Thursday, the detective bureau will be down to one person.

**4. TRAFFIC AUTHORITY**

a. 708 Totoket Road – Hidden Driveway Sign

Deputy Chief Doody discussed the problem with 708 Totoket Road and it was decided that the best remedy right now is to put a hidden driveway sign just north of 708 Totoket Road

VOTE #4: Commissioner Landolfi moved, seconded by Vice Chairman Lappie to have public works put a hidden driveway sign just north of 708 Totoket Road. The motion was carried unanimously.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE - None**

**8. EXECUTIVE SESSION: - None**

**9. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS: None**

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

VOTE #5: Commissioner Ryan moved, seconded by Commissioner Landolfi to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 p.m.. The motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted;

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John Landolfi, Clerk  
Board of Police Commissioners