

Seymour Police Department
Board of Police Commissioners
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 10, 2025

Members Present: Steven P. Kulas, John Duke, David Bitso, Robert J. Koskelowski and Kyle Kelley

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Chief John Bucherati, Deputy Chief Michael Fappiano, Inspector Joe Matusovich, Commander Matthew Butler, four Candidates and members of the public

1) **Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.**

2) **Pledge of Allegiance**

3) **Public Comment:** None

4) **Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on August 13, 2025**

Motion to accept minutes from August 13, 2025 by Kulas/Koskelowski

Motion Passed 5-0

5) **Management Report:**

Chief Bucherati stated that all lines in the budget are good except for the overtime line. There are currently five vacancies. One recruit is in the Police Academy and is doing well and one recruit resigned on August 4, 2025. There are two people in the background process who will start the academy in the fall. Chief Bucherati met with NVCOG regarding road safety and spoke about Maple Street and Pearl Street and to get funding to replace the traffic light and rumble strips. Congratulations to Sergeant Uliano who was promoted to Commander/Lieutenant. Several candidates were interviewed on August 27, 2025 and it was also the first day of school and police presence was at all of the schools. There were no issues.

6) **Commissioner Comments:**

Commissioners discussed the vacant SRO position at the Seymour High School and possibly having the middle school SRO divide time between the middle school and the high school.

7) **Old Business:**

- a. Patrol Reports – no comments
- b. Detective Reports – no comments
- c. K-9 Reports – no comments
- d. SRO Reports – no comments
- e. CPO Reports – no comments
- f. Car Reports – no comments

8) **New Business:**

- a. Executive Session – Candidate Interviews

Motion to go into Executive Session at 6:37 p.m. for Candidate interviews with the Board Members, Chief Bucherati, Deputy Chief Fappiano, Inspector Matusovich and each candidate one at a time by Duke/Koskelowski

Motion Passed 5-0

- b. Discussion/Possible Action on Executive Session RE: Candidate Interviews
Motion to return from the Executive Session of Candidate Interviews at 7:29 p.m. by Koskelowski/Kulas

Motion Passed 5-0

Motion to rank the candidates in the following order, candidate number three, candidate number one, candidate number four and candidate number two by Duke/Kulas

Motion Passed 5-0

Motion to make a conditional offer to candidates three, one and four with the provision that we have an opening at the time for the third candidate and put candidate number two on the list to be held for one year in the event we have another opening by Duke/Koskelowski

Motion Passed 5-0

- 9) **Correspondence:** - Chief Bucherati stated the Beacon Falls Lions Club Car Show is on September 28, 2025 and they are looking for a donation.

Motion to take out a full page ad for the Beacon Falls Lions Club by Duke/Kulas and Deputy Chief Fappiano to follow-up on the ad.

Motion Passed 5-0

- 10) **Other Business:** - Commissioner Koskelowski asked who is maintaining the police vehicles and if it's still the one in Ansonia and Chief Bucherati stated yes and all is going well. Commissioner Koskelowski asked about the list and Chief Bucherati stated there are no complaints from the public. The grant money for speeding ended on September 5, 2025. There are complaints regarding Silvermine Road and Maple Street and would like the police to monitor Maple Street because an eighteen wheeler went through a Stop Sign. Commissioner Duke asked about ATV's and motorcycles on the town roads. Chief Bucherati stated that they try do whatever they can. Commissioner Kulas encouraged the speed cameras and asked about access to the dam on Squantuck Road and wanted to know if there are any issues. Inspector Matusovich stated that there are no issues, but people may go fishing and Aquarion Water Co. has access. Commissioner Duke commended the officers in advance for their police presence at the upcoming Pumpkin Festival and the Seymour Pink event. There is also an event on September 14, 2025 for Yankee Clipper on the river and requested police presence at the beginning and end.

- 11) **Commissioner Comments:** - no comments

- 12) **Union Business:** - no comments

13) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting by Koskelowski/Duke

Motion Passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.