

Derby Police Commission

Derby, Connecticut 06418

Commission

Theodore J. Estwan Jr., Chairman
Leo DiSorbo
Terri Kuskowski, Secretary

Traffic Authority

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A meeting of the Derby Board of Police Commissioners was held on 14 JAN 13 at the Derby Police Department, 125 Water Street, Derby.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Commissioner Estwan.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

Present were Commissioners Estwan and DiSorbo. Also present was Chief Narowski.

3. Public Portion

Eugene Driscoll of 246 Hawthorne Avenue forwarded the commissioners a letter (attached) addressing his noise complaint involving A Quick Pick Crane Company. The commissioners discussed the ongoing issue with the Chief. The chief explained that there is an unenforceable noise ordinance that needs to be changed. Commissioner Estwan is also looking into the status of the Cease and Desist order that was previously issued by the City.

4. Deletion, correction, adoption of agenda

Commissioner DiSorbo motioned to accept the agenda as is and Commissioner Estwan seconded. The motion carried without further discussion.

5. Acceptance of Previous Meeting's Minutes

Commissioner DiSorbo motioned to accept the 17 DEC 12 minutes as is and Commissioner Estwan seconded. The motion carried without further discussion.

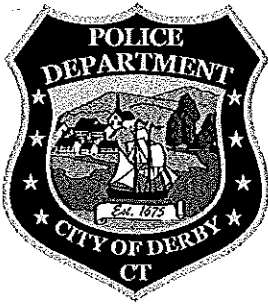
6. Old Business

There was no old business discussed.

7. New Business

Chief Narowski briefly reviewed the estimated budget for the 2013-2014 funding year.

8. Department Reports



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Chief Narowski updated the commissioners on the department's patrol activity including a brief year-end review. He also reviewed the status of the police department's current budget

9. Communications

No communications were discussed.

10. Traffic Authority Business

The commissioners reviewed and discussed the LTA report from SGT Boulton.

- PCRC requested the LTA's approval for their cycling event to pass through Derby on May 19, 2013. Commissioner DiSorbo motioned to approve this request and Commissioner Estwan seconded.
- Storms Fire Department requested the LTA's approval to conduct two "boot drives" on Saturday, February 9, 2013. The drives would be held from 0800-1300 hrs at the intersection of Seymour Avenue at Atwater Avenue and on Bridge Street. Commissioner DiSorbo motioned to accept the request, however, regarding the Bridge Street location, RT 34 traffic is not to be affected. If traffic on RT 34 becomes obstructed or backed up, the boot drive will be shut down on Bridge Street. Commissioner Estwan seconded this motion and it was passed without further discussion.

11. Executive Session

A motion to go into executive session at 6:02 PM and have Chief Narowski present was made by Commissioner DiSorbo, seconded by Commissioner Estwan, and carried unanimously. The purpose of the executive session was to discuss the following item:

- Personnel Updates

The meeting adjourned thereafter.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Kuskowski

These minutes are subject to the Board's approval at their next scheduled meeting.

JANUARY 14, 2013

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THEODORE J. ESTWAN, Jr.
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Dear Chairman Estwan,

I live at 246 Hawthorne Ave.

I am writing to complain about constant, pre-dawn noise from a neighboring residential property.

An "employee parking lot" is directly behind my property, down a steep wooded hill, at the intersection of Park Avenue and D Street.

The parking lot is residentially zoned but has been allowed to be used as a parking lot as a pre-existing non-conforming use.

The "employee parking lot" is being used as a tractor-trailer staging ground (according to a cease and desist from the city's zoning enforcement officer) by "A Quick Pick Crane Company." The company owns the building across Park Avenue on Roosevelt Drive (an industrial zone).

I am not complaining to the commission about the illegal use. I am complaining about the incessant and unreasonable noise coming from a "residentially zoned" property.

There is constant noise from the lot in the pre-dawn hours. Tractor-trailers idle for as long as 15 minutes, creating a rumbling sound and sending vibrations up the hill, waking my family and I.

In addition, the beeping from these tractor-trailers backing up into and out of the "employee parking lot" is excessive, unreasonable and maddening.

Since last spring, I have noted it happening as early as 4:45 a.m. It also happens on the weekends.

The noise is so excessive I sleep with my cell phone and start use the phone to record video when the pre-dawn noise starts.

There is not much to see in the videos, because the activity is happening before the sun rises. However, you can hear the noise.

I have recorded 11 videos since September, all of which can be seen at a playlist on YouTube. The most recent video was recorded at 6:15 a.m., SATURDAY, Jan. 12.

This is the URL for the videos (forgive its length):

<http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLx7x9Zctufw2EufWCxwAqziPEdPEzq1W3>

I want to make the police commissioners aware of this quality of life issue.

Thank you.

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