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Trumbull Police Commission Meeting
October 13, 2026
MINUTES

The Trumbull Police Commission meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. with the recitation of the pledge and moment of silence for deceased police officers and emergency personnel.

Members present: Dawn Cantafio, Chairman
John Walkley, Secretary
Jeffery Kuroghlian, Commissioner
James Zygmont, Commissioner (arrived at 5:34 p.m.)

Absent: Andrea Fonseca, Vice Chairman

Also Present: Chief Michael Lombardo
Assistant Chief Glenn Byrnes
Captain Donald Allen
Thomas McCarthy (arrived at 5:44 p.m.)

Public Comment
Public comment opened at 5:34 p.m. No members of the public were present to speak, and public comment closed at 5:34 p.m.

Approval of Minutes
Motion by Commissioner Walkley, seconded by Commissioner Zygmont to approve the October 1, 2026 minutes. There was no discussion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Correspondence
Chief Lombardo reviewed information regarding disability-informed response protocols for juveniles with hidden disabilities, which Bree Ann Prezioso presented to the Board at their meeting of August 11, 2026.

Chief Lombardo presented a letter from Officer Goldstein resigning from the Southwest Regional Emergency Response Team (SWRERT). Chief Lombardo explained that Officer Goldstein is in the military and will soon be deployed overseas to active duty. Chief Lombardo said that members of the Trumbull Police Department wish Officer Goldstein well and will await his safe return.

Chief Lombardo reviewed letters from residents and community members praising Officers Eble, M. Edwards, Ehlers, Fortunato, Johnson, Kingdon, Sota, and Van Fleet.

Chief Lombardo went over letters of resignation from Lieutenant Kenneth Jones and Officer David Skoog, who recently retired. He also reviewed a note from Lieutenant Jones thanking him for his leadership and the recent pizza luncheon.

Chief's Monthly Report
Chief Lombardo reviewed the following reports for the month of September: Emergency Management, calls for service, criminal incidents, motor vehicle enforcement, incident statistics, school resource officer, K-9, juvenile arrests, adult arrest summary, traffic, detective division, crime suppression unit, dive team, drone team, training, cadets, social worker, sick/injury, personnel count, and budget.

The SRO reports prompted a short discussion of the Youth Diversion Team (formerly the Juvenile Review Board).

In his review of the detective division's report, Chief Lombardo noted that the Safe Streets Task Force and the Operation Wingspan Task Force are valuable resources for combatting stolen cars. He mentioned that stolen cars are used in the commission of the majority of serious crimes, and he reminded residents to keep their vehicles locked.

While going over the social worker report, Chief Lombardo advised that domestic violence calls have recently risen by 20% in Trumbull. He said that Police Social Worker Giovanna Mozzo is helping to address this by finding useful resources and raising awareness.

There was a discussion of various budget challenges including the costs of training, ammunition, and vehicle upfits.

Old Business
Approval of replacing signage on Frenchtown Road to reflect that it is a posted 25mph zone
Motion by Commissioner Walkley, seconded by Commissioner Cantafio to approve replacing 20mph signs on Frenchtown Road with 25mph signs, as recommended by the Trumbull Police Traffic Division. There was no discussion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Executive Session—Personnel Matter
Motion by Commissioner Walkley, seconded by Commissioner Zygmont to enter executive session to discuss a personnel matter. There was no discussion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried. The four Police Commissioners and Thomas McCarthy entered executive session at 6:29 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner Walkley, seconded by Commissioner Zygmont to come out of executive session. There was no discussion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried. All came out of executive session at 7:29 p.m.

Motion to approve the counteroffer with the bullet points that were approved in executive session. There was no discussion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

New Business
Discussion and consideration of promotions to the ranks of Sergeant and Lieutenant
Chief Lombardo provided handouts of the Sergeant and Lieutenant promotional lists, and career background info on the promotion candidates. He explained that the proposed promotions to the ranks of Sergeant and Lieutenant will prompt another promotion to the rank of Detective.

Chief Lombardo recommended the promotions of Sergeants Gagstetter and Harry to the rank of Lieutenant.

Motion by Commissioner Cantafio, seconded by Commissioner Walkley to promote Sergeants Gagstetter and Harry to the rank of Lieutenant effective on a date to be determined by Chief Lombardo. There was no discussion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Walkley, seconded by Commissioner Zygmont to promote Detective Iucci and Officers Bartosik and McEnaney to the rank of Sergeant effective on a date to be determined by Chief Lombardo. There was no discussion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Chief Lombardo explained to the Board that he has the authority to promote officers to the rank of Detective. He then advised that he will be promoting Officer Van Fleet to the rank of Detective on a date to be determined.

There was a general discussion of staffing. Chief Lombardo mentioned that two new SROs will soon be appointed, because one current SRO is being promoted to Sergeant and one current SRO is resigning. He said he also hopes to promote a current Sergeant to Detective Sergeant in the near future.

Thomas McCarthy praised Human Resources Director Stephen Librandi for his exceptional work in administering the promotional exams.

Commissioner Cantafio asked newly appointed Police Commissioner Kuroghlian to introduce himself. He provided a short bio and said he was happy to serve on the Board.

Adjourn
Motion by Commissioner Walkley, seconded by Commissioner Zygmont to adjourn. There was no discussion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathleen Oliver
Clerk of the Commission