

West Hartford Pedestrian and Bicycle Commission Monthly Meeting Minutes

Monday, 13th January, 2025, 7:00 PM

Room 400, Town Hall

1. Call to Order, Attendance taken at 7:02pm

Commissioners in attendance:

Ed Pawlak(EP), Jen Bowman(JB), John Wenz(JW), Andrea Belli(AB), Tristan Sokol(TS)

Members of the public: 8

Police chief+ 3 other officers

2. Approval of previous meeting's minutes

Minutes were approved unanimously

3. New Business:

- a) Near Miss video reviewed
- b) Discussion over traffic stops data, and distribution of stops between residents and non-residents
- c) PD workforce allocation:
 - a. 6 full time traffic officers with unmarked cars
 - b. 2 shifts
 - c. Deployed upon requests from citizens and/or based on hot spots for accidents
 - i. Town engineer and Traffic Division share data on crashes and dangerous locations (e.g. Albany Ave, New Park, Trout Brook, etc)
 - d. Police Chief and Town Engineer regularly evaluate traffic conditions and dangerous situations
 - e. Officers are trained thoroughly
 - f. Road Diets work as well as roundabouts as they slow down traffic
 - g. Speed cameras: locations approved by DOT, they will be fixed in those locations
 - h. Common Contributing Factors to fatal collisions:
 - i. Decision making, violation of traffic laws, poor light, speed, distracted walking

10. Adjourn 8:34PM