



# TOWN OF MONROE

## BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

### MINUTES

Regular Meeting – September 17, 2025

The Monroe Board of Police Commissioners held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 7 p.m. in the Monroe Police Department Training Room.

**Present:** Chairman Michael Vitello  
Commissioner Daniel Hunsberger, Vice-Chair  
Commissioner Edward Deak  
Commissioner David Geismar  
Commissioner James Weinberg

**Also Present:** Chief Keith White  
Deputy Chief Greg Smith

#### **ROLL CALL**

*Chairman Vitello* opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m., and noted that all *Board* members were present.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

*Chairman Vitello* noted the officers that were injured and killed in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE**

**Motion:** E. Deak

MOTION TO APPROVE the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 16, 2025.

**Second:** D. Hunsberger

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**Joe Sullivan**, 324 Garder Road—Mr. Sullivan explained that he has been a Town resident for 65 years, and stated that he made the same proposal at the August Town Council meeting. He continued that he is requesting that the Board of Police Commissioners study the feasibility of installing automated speed cameras on Monroe roads. Mr. Sullivan stated that these cameras are being adopted across the State with Washington, Connecticut being the first. Mr. Sullivan explained that in two months, Washington issued

6,279 tickets which generated \$334,725 in fines. He continued that half of the offenders were not local residents, and Washington has reported a notable reduction in speeding since the cameras were installed. Mr. Sullivan urges the Commission to conduct a formal study on the implementation of speed cameras in Monroe.

*Chief White* stated that he has done research and has spoken to other Town's as well regarding speed cameras. The *Chief* explained that potential income to the Town is not allowed when applying to the State DOT. *Chief White* stated that there has to be crash data or documented excessive speeding for a particular area to be considered for installation. *Deputy Chief Smith* also stated that State roads are not included and speed cameras are not allowed on State roads. *Chief White* continued that outside of State roads, the Town of Monroe does not have any specific roads with speed-related crashes. *Deputy Chief* stated that there are speed signs deployed throughout Town that regularly document speed data. He continued that the data that has been collected does not meet the requirement.

At this time, Mr. Sullivan left the meeting and the discussion continued between the *Board, Chief,* and *Deputy Chief.*

### **CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS**

*Chief White* was in receipt of an email from a Town resident stating he believes the Town can be making money from installing speed cameras. *Chief White* stated this is similar to Mr. Sullivan, however this person is driven by money, which is not allowed when applying to the State DOT.

### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

#### **PATROL DIVISION:**

*Chairman Vitello* asked where the parking tickets were from. *Chief White* stated there has been Bike Patrol over the summer, and the majority of these tickets are parking enforcement at the Wolfe Park lots.

#### **DETECTIVE DIVISION:**

*Chairman Vitello* noted there was a computer crime investigation, and asked if the department had someone investigating those. *Chief White* stated that the department still had all of the equipment from Retired Detective Chaves, and he was able to train one of the detectives on how to use the equipment.

*Chairman Vitello* noted the five juvenile summonses that were issued and wanted to know if they were local youths. *Chief White* stated they were not local youths, and all lived out of Town.

#### **DEPARTMENT TRAINING:**

*Chairman Vitello* asked if the department has to supply an officer to be present on the firing range while other departments are using it. *Chief White* stated there is no officer on site, but an officer will open and close the range. *Chief White* continued that there is a small list of authorized users for the range, and each has a Certificate of Liability Insurance.

**ANIMAL CONTROL UNIT:**

*Chairman Vitello* asked if the Animal Control building was complete, to which the *Chief* stated yes.

**POLICE STAFFING:**

*Chairman Vitello* noted the long-term absences and asked if any have returned. *Chief White* stated that one returned and there were 2 still out on medical leave.

**PATROL DIVISION:**

*Commissioner Hunsberger* stated on the Chief's Report shows 44 collisions and the Monthly Statistics shows 38 collisions. *Chief White* stated that the Chief's report is cumulative, and the Monthly Statistics are broken down to MV Accidents, Parking Lot Accidents, Late Accidents and Evading.

Similar to above, *Commissioner Hunsberger* stated that the Chief's Report shows 4 DUI's and the Monthly Statistics shows 5. *Chief White* stated that one could have been a result of warrant rather than an on-scene arrest.

**DETECTIVE DIVISION:**

*Commissioner Hunsberger* noted that the Town has 10 massage parlors. *Chief White* stated that the Department of Labor reaches out for compliance checks and has stated the Town has an abnormal amount of nail salons and massage parlors for our population. In the past and under the previous Chief, the department has tried implementing a massage parlor ordinance but the Town fought against it.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

*Commissioner Hunsberger* praised the Monroe Night Out event and wanted to thank all of the officers who participated. *Commissioner Hunsberger* also wanted to thank all of the business who participated, to which the *Chief* stated that he sent a personalized letter to each business. The full list is attached to the Chief's Report.

**POLICE STAFFING:**

*Commissioner Hunsberger* asked if the department was on schedule for hiring the two new officers. *Chief White* explained that they still need to post the openings, however it is believed there will be an opening in the near future as well. *Chief White* continued that he would like to do a promotional test and post for new hires at the same time. He continued that this has also been discussed under the 5-year plan. The *Chief* stated he would like the postings to be for late January early February so that gives time for studying and promote for April. *Chief White* stated the promotion would be for Sergeant and Lieutenant.

**DETECTIVE DIVISION:**

*Commissioner Deak* asked if there were any licensing or any approval from the Town prior to massage parlors opening. *Chief White* stated there was no approval policy in place, and that he and the prior

Chief wanted regular health department inspections however they were voted down. *Chief White* stated that the business has to have a state license, but nothing from the Town. *Commissioner Deak* suggested the *Chief* bring up the proposal again as the Town is now under new leadership. The discussion continued regarding wage and labor violations and the courts recognizing the workers are victims.

#### **PROJECTS:**

*Commissioner Deak* noted that the Flock LPRs were fully installed but there were problems. *Chief White* explained that there have been a few issues including going down and receiving a flag but need an admin login for verification. The Vendor was prompt with their repairs and are now all operational. *Commissioner Deak* asked if we have had any outside requests by state or federal authorities. *Chief White* stated we have had no state or federal requests. The *Chief* stated we have had contact with Newtown and Trumbull with one juvenile arrest case that originated in Newtown and was a hit captured on Monroe LPRs. *Commissioner Deak* asked if there was a policy in place regarding federal requests. *Chief White* explained that the vendor, Flock, gave a presentation stating they do not share LPR information with federal agencies.

#### **EVENT OF INTEREST:**

*Commissioner Deak* requested more information when the case is closed so the staff member can be recognized.

#### **PATROL DIVISION:**

*Chairman Vitello* noted that motor vehicle stops doubled. *Chief White* stated the department was focused on the opening of schools, and there were officers posted in and around the schools.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

*Commissioner Hunsberger* noted that he did not see Jennie's Pizza on the donations list. *Chief White* stated he will add it to the list, as they donated pizza throughout the entire event.

#### **COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS**

**Building and Equipment:** *Commissioner Geismar* reports nothing new to report.

**Budget and Overtime:** *Commissioner Weinberg* stated that there are a couple of anomalies. The fuel and record room are heavily weighted. *Chief White* explained that is beginning of the fiscal year contracts. *Commissioner Weinberg* stated everything else is going well so far this year.

**Personnel and Labor:** *Commissioner Hunsberger* stated everyone he has spoken to has been excited to come to work and has not heard of any issues.

**Rules and Regulations/Public Relations:** *Commissioner Deak* reported state legislature is in recess, and everything is currently associated with housing or federal. *Chief White* agreed that he has not heard anything regarding public safety.

**Town Council Liaison:** *Chairman Vitello* had nothing to report.

### **COMMISSIONER'S FORUM**

*Commissioner Weinberg* stated that he is bothered at the fact that the police department is unable to assist on federal police work, such as ICE. *Chief White* stated that it's called the Trust Act, and *Commissioner Geismar* stated there are certain perimeters that local police can assist. *Commissioner Geismar* continued that if there are any violent crimes, local police can assist.

*Commissioner Hunsberger* asked if there have been any complaints from the public, against the department or any employee. *Chief White* stated that we have had Administrative Investigations. *Commissioner Hunsberger* asked how many there have been so far this year, to which *Chief White* stated there have been a total of 3. *Chairman Vitello* asked if they were ongoing or have all been resolved. *Chief White* stated all are closed.

### **LOCAL TRAFFIC AUTHORITY**

*Chief White* stated there was one special event request from the Stepney Fire Department. *Deputy Chief Smith* stated that the Stepney Fire Department would like to have a boot drive in December and they are getting all their paperwork in order. The *Deputy Chief* continued they need the approval from the Local Traffic Authority to be able to forward their application to the State. He stated it would be at 801 Main street, near their fire station.

### **MOTION TO GRANT**

**Motion:** D. Hunsberger

MOTION TO GRANT their wish

**Second:** M. Vitello

**Discussion:** *Deputy Chief Smith* explained that the Stepney Fire Department is requesting to do a Boot Drive on December 6, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at 801 Main Street

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

*Commissioner Hunsberger* wanted to discuss the License Plate Readers, and stated that there was at least one lawsuit in the State of Connecticut for Fourth Amendment and State Constitution violations. *Commissioner Hunsberger* wanted to confirm that the information that Flock collects is handled appropriately. *Chief White* stated that Flock does not collect any information, the LPRs take a picture of the license plate. The *Chief* continued that Flock does not have the information that is tied to the license plate. *Deputy Chief Smith* elaborated stating that we have to run the license plate to get the information, and Flock never sees that. The discussion continued on how long the data is held for, why is it held for that time period, and which agencies have access to see the information.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **a. Department Parking Lot Gate**

*Chief White* stated he has no update.

*Chairman Vitello* asked the *Chief* why part of the lot was blocked off. *Chief White* stated the department does that during the Farmer's Market. The *Chief* and *Deputy Chief* explained that the Farmer's Market is heavily attended, and if the lot is not blocked off, the Police Department employees have no where to park when arriving for the evening shift.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Past Practice of Housing Police K9**

*Chief White* explained to the *Board* that the past practice of when a K9 handler would go out of town and there were no other means to house the K9, they would bring them to the Animal Control Unit and the K9 would reside there until the handler returned. There was a recent issue that was investigated and the conclusion was to come up with written guidelines. The Animal Control Unit will no longer be housing police K9's, and will now be sent to Grasso's German Shepherd's. This is the better option for all parties involved.

**MOTION TO APPROVE**

**Motion:** D. Hunsberger

MOTION TO APPROVE the Chief housing the Police canine at the Grasso Facility Kennels in the event that it is necessary.

**Second:** M. Vitello

**Discussion:** *Commissioner Deak* noted to add that the Chief will pay for the expenditures.

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

**b. Promotional Testing**

*Chief White* then discussed the promotional exam that was brought up earlier in the meeting, and stated the Board needed to approve it, but it was not on the Agenda.

**MOTION TO AMEND**

**Motion:** J. Weinberg

MOTION TO AMEND the Agenda and add Promotional Testing under New Business

**Second:** D. Hunsberger

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

*Commissioner Hunsberger* asked what the cost per exam, to which *Deputy Chief Smith* stated approximately \$100 per exam. He continued that it is significantly cheaper than hiring an outside agency to run the exam. The discussion again went over when the notification would be sent out and when the test would take place.

**MOTION TO APPROVE**

**Motion:** J. Weinberg

MOTION TO APPROVE the Chief to go ahead with the promotional exam

**Second:** D. Geismar

**Discussion:** *Commissioner Weinberg* asked if the Detective position was a promotion or assignment, to which the Chief stated assignment. The discussion continued regarding the training position being a 6-month position.

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

*Commissioner Hunsberger* requested a new roster for the next meeting.

*Commissioner Weinberg* stated at the previous meeting, the *Chairman* was absent, but *Vice-Chair Hunsberger* stated he would draft a letter for DPW regarding the Hammertown Road and Fan Hill Road intersection.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, the Regular Meeting was adjourned by ***unanimous consent*** at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Guerra, Recording Secretary  
Board of Police Commissioners

**TOWN OF MONROE  
POLICE DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE**

**TO:** Board of Police Commissioners  
**FROM:** Chief Keith White  
**SUBJECT:** July Monthly Report  
**DATE:** August 20, 2025

**ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAM MEASURES:**

**Patrol Division:**

- Criminal Arrests: 18 Individual criminal charges were filed
- M/V accidents 47 Collisions
- Issued: 44 Motor vehicle infractions  
33 Written warnings  
06 Misdemeanor motor vehicle summonses  
09 Parking ticket  
02 DUI arrests  
00 Narcotics  
05 Psychiatric  
106 Medical calls  
1441 – Total Calls for Service

Patrol Division officers responded to 13 Domestic/Family Violence incidents in July, resulting in 03 arrests.

Traffic Safety—Officers were grant-funded and assigned to 56 directed Traffic Details during the month.

**Prisoner Watch:** Personnel performed 16 hours of prisoner watch for the month.

**Detective Division:**

- Received 13 cases from patrol, including sex crimes, larceny, fraud, death investigations, computer assists and weapons violations.
- Initiated another 05 investigation
- Cleared 04 case by arrest
- Closed 08 cases
- Submitted 10 arrest warrant applications to the court
- Received and/or executed 06 search and seizure warrants
- Initiated 12 pistol permit applicant investigations
- Executed 00 Ex-Parte Orders for the month
- Laboratory transports 02
- Background investigations 13

Detectives prepared five habeas warrants for individuals the department already had warrants for. They will serve them in court because those individuals are already incarcerated.

The Connecticut State police requested assistance with a cell phone extraction. Detective Stevens was able to parse the phone, provide a report, and return the item as evidence.

**Department-Wide Warrant Activity:**

- 03 arrest warrants served
- 01 FTA (Failure to Appear) or Violation of Probation warrants executed

**COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

The majority of the month was spent finalizing plans for the Night Out event on August 5<sup>th</sup>. Sergeant Ramalhete coordinated efforts with Detectives Cascante and Jimenez, along with officers Wahib, Puglisi and Ebert in an effort to make the event a success.

This large-scale event requires many hours to plan, organize, and set up. It was well attended and has continued to grow each year since its inception. The Monroe business community's contributions have allowed this to happen, which you can find attached to this report.

**Projects:**

The Flock LPR installs began in June. Flock was in town on August 4, 2025 to complete site plans for the remaining cameras. They expect to have the project completed and fully functional by the end of August.

The radio antennae at the Marion Heights Tower has been repaired by Norcom/Motorola.

**Training**

July 11<sup>th</sup> – Officers Wahib and Arnold and Detectives Cascante and Jimenez attended Bulletproof Spirit training hosted by Captain Dan Willis at Southern Connecticut State University

July 30<sup>th</sup> – Detectives Stevens and Jimenez attended their EMR recertification training with Easton EMS.

**Department Training**

SWRERT Training- July 9<sup>th</sup> and July 23<sup>rd</sup> – The July 9<sup>th</sup> training was attended by Sergeant Johnson, Officer Rampino, Officer Johnston. The July 23<sup>rd</sup> training was attended by Sergeant McAulay and Officer Rampino.

Crisis Negotiator Team: None

Dive Team – July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> in Easton and was attended by Officer Silkman and Officer Ebert.

K9 Training- July 10<sup>th</sup> and July 23<sup>rd</sup> - Sergeant DeCarli attended the July 10<sup>th</sup> training and Sergeant DeCarli and Officer Frizinia attended the July 23<sup>rd</sup> training.

Military Training – Officer Johnston had training July 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>.

On July 28<sup>th</sup> we hired Brian Sharnick, a lateral officer from the Stratford Police Department, and on July 29<sup>th</sup> we hired Justin Harpe, a lateral officer from the New Haven Police Department. Both attended and completed handgun firearms training on July 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>, and completed rifle training on August 1<sup>st</sup>. They have been assigned to the Patrol Division for field training

### **POLICE STAFFING:**

We continue to have three long term absentees.

### **Communication Center**

The dispatch center is currently fully staffed, and there are no reported issues.

### **Animal Control Unit:**

The renovated building is open and in use. During July, the animal control unit received numerous donations, including beds for the new kennels. The full list of donations is attached.

### **Budget**

No issues to report at this time.

### **Records**

The Records Unit is currently fully staffed, and there are no issues.

### **Event of interest**

The Monroe Police Department served a warrant at court for an individual who was charged with *Larceny in the First Degree* and *Conspiracy to Commit Larceny in the First Degree*. He was held on a \$50,000 bond and remanded to the custody of the Judicial Marshals for arraignment.

The arrest is the result of a lengthy investigation into a burglary where suspects forced entry into the Enterprise Rent-A-Car office located at 75 Main Street in Monroe. Once inside, the suspects retrieved keys and stole four rental vehicles from the property.

As the investigation began, Monroe Police Detectives discovered that similar burglaries had occurred at rental agencies and automotive businesses in nearby towns, including North Haven, Wallingford, and Branford. These patterns suggested the involvement of an organized group targeting businesses across the region.

All four stolen vehicles were located and recovered in the towns of Seymour, Shelton, and Fairfield. Each vehicle was processed for physical evidence which was then submitted to the Connecticut State Forensic Laboratory for analysis.

While forensic evidence was under review, detectives from Monroe continued to collaborate closely with law enforcement agencies from the affected jurisdictions. This multi-agency cooperation proved critical in identifying potential suspects. During an interview with one individual implicated in related crimes, the suspect confessed to participating in the Monroe burglary and identified his accomplices. Further investigation confirmed this account when DNA evidence recovered from one of the stolen vehicles matched the suspect.

This case underscores the regional nature of organized property crimes and highlights the importance of evidence collection, timely forensic analysis, and interagency collaboration.

## Donation List for Monroe Night Out

<b>Business Donations</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Village Square	\$ 2,000.00
Norwalk Veterinary Hospital	\$ 1,500.00
Cornell-Carr company	\$ 1,000.00
Brown Monument Works	\$ 500.00
Spadaccino and Gallagher and Son	\$ 350.00
Nonna's Pizza	\$ 300.00
Philip Gangnath	\$ 275.00
Blue Lines Firearms	\$ 250.00
Sippen Energy	\$ 250.00
Ole soccer	\$ 250.00
Shooting Sports Academy	\$ 250.00
Cross Hill Service LLC	\$ 250.00
Board and Brush	\$ 250.00
Complete Tank, LLC	\$ 250.00
Last Drop Café	\$ 200.00
USA Tudors LLC	\$ 200.00
Terra Café	\$ 100.00
Prep Academy Tutors	\$ 50.00
Hous of Dogs	\$ 50.00
The Dancers Choice CT LLC	\$ 50.00
Shaksboxing fitness	\$ 50.00
Newtown Savings Bank	\$ 225.00
Lift Wellness Group	\$ 100.00
Common Threads	\$ 100.00
Fire in the Hole LLC	\$ 30.00
Blue Butterfly	\$ 100.00

JMG Entertainment	DJ Services, photobooth *1/2 price
Laser Tag	Donated Game
Pepperidge Farm	Donated Buns
Lake Zoar	Donated Staffing
Mr. Macs	Donated Staffing
Meat Me	Donated Food and Staffing
FlexJet	Donated Helicopter
Endangered Studio Monroe Tattoo	Donated face painting
Kids on the Moon	Donated 3 Bounce Houses
Jennie's Pizzeria	Donated pizza throughout event
Testo's Restaurant	Donated pizza throughout event

## Businesses/Non-Profits who attended Monroe Night Out

Key Therapy
Board and Brush
ADAM
Prep Academy Tudors
Rotary Club
Docs
Center for Family Justice
TRIAD
Newtown Savings
Inter Order of the Rainbow for Girls
USA Tudors
The Dancer's Choice
Spadaccinos
Lift Wellness Group
Awesome toy store
Blue Butterfly
Save our Stepney
Shaksboxing fitness
Girl Scouts
Monroe EMS
Cortica
Harmony Grange
Common Threads
Foster Family Courtney Foundation
Fire in the Hole
Monroe Fire

## Animal Control Unit July 2025 Donations

<u>Date</u>	<u>Item Donated</u>	<u>Donating Party/Business</u>
07/09/25	40x25 Aluminum Kuranda Bed	Debra Hansen
07/09/25	40x25 Aluminum Kuranda Bed	Darlene Gosnell
07/09/25	40x25 Aluminum Kuranda Bed	Mary Frances Gorgas
07/09/25	40x25 Aluminum Kuranda Bed	Denise Walsh
07/09/25	40x25 Aluminum Kuranda Bed	Carol Kaye
07/09/25	40x25 Aluminum Kuranda Bed	Melissa Cascio
07/09/25	40x25 Aluminum Kuranda Bed	Deborah Bachard
07/09/25	40x25 Aluminum Kuranda Bed	Janet Holt
07/09/25	40x25 Aluminum Kuranda Bed	Matthew McVie
07/09/25	40x25 Aluminum Kuranda Bed	Amy Ferris
07/09/25	40x25 Walnut PVC Kuranda Bed	Kathy Pulaski
07/09/25	Kinn Kleanbowl Large Frame and Refills, Kinn Kleanbowl Small Frame and Refills	Kuranda Bed Corporation
07/15/25	Perennial Flowers & Mulch	Benedict's Home and Garden
07/22/25	\$100 Check Donation	Theresa Lapinski
07/22/25	64 Cans of Friskies Cat Food, 24 Cans of Fancy Feast Cat Food, 48 Cans of Unknown Brand of Cat Food, 11 Containers of Cat Litter, Various Dog and Cat Toys	Presents for Paws Rescue (Noreen)
07/22/25	2 Containers of Cat Litter and Misc. Supplies	Barbara Agachinski
07/24/25	3 Large Dog Beds, Sentry Heartworm Medication	Ron Grabowski
07/28/25	Small Dog Bed, 3 Bed Sheets, Bag of Dog Food, 2 Blankets, Cat Litter Box, Cat Bed	Christina Larkin
07/29/25	6-Charlie Bear Training Treats, 14 Cans of Beneful for Dogs, 3 bags of Canine Carry-Out Treats, 1, 24oz Box of Small milkbones	Shannon Boyns
07/31/25	9 Cans of Fancy Feast for Kittens, 18 Cans of Weruva Brand Cat Food	Barbara Agachinski

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**DATE:** September 17, 2025

**ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAM MEASURES:**

**Patrol Division:**

- Criminal Arrests: 19 Individual criminal charges were filed
- M/V accidents 44 Collisions
- Issued: 56 Motor vehicle infractions  
80 Written warnings  
10 Misdemeanor motor vehicle summonses  
10 Parking ticket  
04 DUI arrests  
00 Narcotics  
02 Psychiatric  
111 Medical calls  
1585 – Total Calls for Service

Patrol Division officers responded to 07 Domestic/Family Violence incidents in August, resulting in 04 arrests.

Traffic Safety—Officers conducted 111 directed traffic details during the month. This is higher than normal as we brought in officers to be present in and around the schools for the opening week, enforcing traffic violations. This resulted in 35 traffic stops, exclusively for unreasonable speed. All ten current digital speed signs are deployed in various parts of the town.

**Prisoner Watch:** Personnel performed 28.75 hours of prisoner watch for the month.

**Detective Division:**

- Received 10 cases from patrol, including burglary, computer crime, fraud, larceny, stolen and motor vehicle/recovery.
- Initiated another 030 investigation
- Cleared 00 case by arrest
- Closed 07 cases
- Submitted 07 arrest warrant applications to the court
- Received and/or executed 07 search and seizure warrants

- Initiated 04 pistol permit applicant investigations
- Executed 00 Ex-Parte Orders for the month
- Laboratory transports 01
- Background investigations 07

Five juvenile summonses were issued this month, including the charges of larceny first degree, engaging police in pursuit and possession of child sexual abuse material.

The department has received complaints about activity in local massage parlors. The detective division, working with the CT Department of Labor, conducted compliance inspections at ten Monroe massage parlors. Two of the businesses were issued immediate top work orders for various violations.

**Department-Wide Warrant Activity:**

- 05 arrest warrants served
- 01 FTA (Failure to Appear) or Violation of Probation warrants executed

**COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

The majority of the month was spent finalizing plans for the Night Out event on August 5<sup>th</sup>. Sergeant Ramalhete coordinated efforts with Detectives Cascante and Jimenez, along with officers Wahib, Puglisi and Ebert in an effort to make the event a success. This large-scale event requires many hours to plan, organize, and set up. It was well attended and has continued to grow each year since its inception. The Monroe business community's contributions have allowed this to happen.

**Projects:**

The Flock LPR installs are completed and fully functional.

**Training**

August 6<sup>th</sup> – Detective Cascante and Officer Panza attended a Car Seat Technician recertification class at the Danbury Police Department. Their certification is valid for two years.

**Department Training**

SWRERT Training- August 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> – The August 13<sup>th</sup> training was attended by Sergeant McAulay, Officer Rampino, Officer Johnston. The August 27<sup>th</sup> training was attended by Sergeant McAulay, Sergeant Johnson, Officer Rampino, Officer Johnston and Sergeant DeCarli

Crisis Negotiator Team: Training took place at POSTC and was attended by Officer Franzago.

Dive Team – August 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> in Easton and was attended by Officer Silkman.

K9 Training- August 19<sup>th</sup> and August 29<sup>th</sup> - Sergeant DeCarli attended the August 19<sup>th</sup> training along with Officer Frizinia. Sergeant DeCarli and Officer Frizinia also attended the August 29<sup>th</sup> training.

Military Training – Officer Johnston had military training August 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

August 22<sup>nd</sup> – Newtown Police were granted access to use the firing range for their yearly ASSO firearm qualification. Newtown PD provided their own instructor.

August 26<sup>th</sup> – Monroe ASSOs completed their yearly firearm qualification. Sergeant McAulay was the instructor.

### **POLICE STAFFING:**

We are down to two patrol officers out on long-term medical leave/injury; one returned to full duty.

Ofc. Sharnick and Ofc. Harpe will complete FTO training the 1<sup>st</sup> week of September and be assigned to shifts within the patrol division.

### **Communication Center**

There were some issues with the FLOCK LPR notifications that we were working through over the month. After troubleshooting with the company, the issues have been corrected.

### **Animal Control Unit:**

The renovated building is open and in use. During August, the animal control unit received numerous donations, including beds for the new kennels. The full list of donations is attached.

### **Budget**

No issues to report at this time.

### **Records**

We are currently fully staffed in Records and there are no reported persistent issues.

### **Event of interest**

Officers were dispatched to a local bank for a report of a customer attempting to open an account using a fraudulent driver's license. Bank staff provided officers with a New York driver's license, a Visa card, a U.S. Treasury check, and a utility bill, all bearing the same name.

While the individual initially claimed to be the person named on the documents, she was unable to confirm the correct date of birth. Upon further questioning, she admitted to using a false identity and provided her actual name and date of birth. She stated she was brought to the bank by a nameless individual who had picked her up in Hartford and supplied her with the fraudulent documents. A search for the vehicle as she described was unsuccessful.

The documents included a \$5,022.10 U.S. Treasury check and identification materials tied to real addresses in Brooklyn, NY, and Bridgeport, CT—the latter appearing to be fictitious. A database search confirmed the impersonated identity was that of a real individual. The suspect also admitted to two

failed attempts at two other banks earlier that day. Bank staff confirmed alerts from Newtown Savings Bank branches in Oxford and Shelton, noting the use of similar IDs with the same name and photo but different birthdates.

The suspect was taken into custody and charged with multiple offenses, including Criminal Attempt to Commit Larceny 3rd Degree, Forgery 2nd and 3rd Degree, Interfering with an Officer, Identity Theft 2nd Degree, and Criminal Impersonation. She was assigned a court date of August 25, 2025, at GA #02 in Bridgeport, CT.

This case illustrates the growing sophistication of organized fraud involving counterfeit documents and identity theft. The suspect's use of multiple false identities across different locations highlights a coordinated effort to defraud financial institutions. The resolution of this case was made possible through close cooperation between bank personnel and law enforcement, underscoring the importance of ongoing collaboration in combating financial crimes.

## Animal Control Unit August 2025 Donations

<u>Date</u>	<u>Item Donated</u>	<u>Donating Party/Business</u>
08/01/25	3 Dog Training Books	Debra Kaza
08/05/25	28.6 lb. Bag Royal Canin Dry Gastro Dog Diet, Used Bed Comforter and Sheet	Unknown, Left at ACU Doorstep
08/07/25	3 Used Blankets	Unknown, Left at ACU Doorstep
08/25/25	Dog Training Books and Tools	Debra Kaza
08/25/25	NutraSource Turkey and Rice Dog Food	Cindy Ambrosey
08/25/25	8 Bags of Badlands Dog Food, Sweater and Harness	Diane Torres
08/29/25	48 Pack of Wet Sheba Cat Food	Patty Keller
08/29/25	Pro Plan Hydro Care Feline Supplement & Mirataz Ointment	Cathy Kohut