Public Safety Subcommittee
TOWN OF SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 8:00 A.M.
Main Meeting Room, Town Hall

Present were:
Diana Yeisley and Mike Paine

Others in attendance included: Marc Nelson, Nicholas Boulter, Chris Davis, Tom Fitzgerald, Karin Stewart, Tom Roy, Jim Traficante, Neil Sullivan, Todd Myers, Gary Wilcox, Mark Massaro, Patrick Tourville, Shelley Forker, and AnnMarie Garrison.

The Regular Meeting of the Public Safety Subcommittee to order at 8:00 A.M.

Pledge of Allegiance
All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Audience:
Representatives from Ensign-Bickford Aerospace & Defense spoke to the group about a recent test conducted on September 11th and how they recognized that was a mistake and have taken steps to make sure in the future they don't test on that date. They discussed the times of days that they test which is Monday through Friday from 10:00 - 12:00 and 2:00 – 4:30. EBAD is conducting noise studies to assess how different atmospheric conditions can affect the sound traveling throughout town.

Minutes:
The Minutes from June 18th were approved.

Updates:
1) Farmington Valley Health District
Ms. Forker spoke about the summer outbreak of cyclospora being considered over. Ms. Forker touched on a recent exercise that FVHD partnered with Hartford Healthcare on for how to handle an Ebola patient/outbreak. Ms. Forker also gave the group an update on measles.

2) Town Manager's Office
Mr. Fitzgerald spoke the newsletter and reminded people to submit items. Ms. Yeisley spoke about signage at Town Hall including in the parking lot directing people to the public entrance rather than the door that faces Hopmeadow.

3) Emergency Management
Mr. Traficante spoke about a recent exercise that was done, the scenario was a big snow and wind storm. He also spoke about hardware and software updates for WSIM and touched on there being a new Region 3 Coordinator.

4) Police
Mr. Boulter spoke about ALPR Cameras in town and how they have been installed since 2024. He told the group they aren't live stream cameras, and don't monitor speeding and don't issue tickets. Mr. Boulter said we received an Age Well Across CT

recognition. He provided an update on 1 officer currently in Field Training, 1 officer starts Field Training in October and another starts Field Training in December. Mr. Boulter said our vacancy in Dispatch was filled and two officers have recently started at the academy.

5) Ambulance
Ms. Stewart reviewed the yearly call data for SVAA. She said year to date numbers are down. EMT class has 9 new students enrolled. The new ambulance runs well but is currently receiving a new paint layer due to it being shipped with the wrong color.

6) Fire
Mr. Wilcox spoke about the replacement training facility project that is ongoing. Mr. Myers spoke about the Fire District taking delivery of a new vehicle soon, which will be a year earlier than expected. Mr. Tourville spoke about recent fires and said that the District is having an open house on October 4th. More information on that can be found online and in the newsletter.

7) Board of Education
Mr. Sullivan gave an update on summer projects. He said the school year started and provided an update on the new bus vendor. He talked about some growing pains with bus routes early in the year but mentioned how that happens every year and feels they are getting better.

8) Public Works
Mr. Roy spoke about speed humps being installed shortly. They will be targeted around school areas and will be circulated throughout town. Mr. Roy also spoke about the public information session that is upcoming for the roundabout planned for County and Hoskins. He also mentioned that Fire Alarm system upgrades are ongoing in Town buildings.

9) Social Services
Mr. Fitzgerald read an update from Ms. Formanek on Social Services programing. Ms. Yeisley mentioned the Aging in Place Expo taking place on Friday. Mr. Tourville talked about the Steps to Safety program and how that is still being recognized statewide.

10) VNA
Ms. Garrison spoke about the VNA's flu vaccine programing is getting underway. There will be 3 clinics in Simsbury. They will be on October 22nd from 2-5pm in the Senior Center, October 23rd from 10-12pm in the Library and October 28th from 10-12pm at the VNA offices on Old Mill Lane.

11) Main Street Partnership
Ms. Yeisley read a note about Simsbury Celebrates planning being underway.

12) Eversource
Mr. Massaro said Eversource can work wit the Police Department Dispatchers on training for the municipal hub system for reporting outages. He said there is an online

video, but he would also be happy to come in person to do the training. Mr. Massaro spoke about a grant that Eversource recently gave to SVAA.

Mr. Paine thanked all who were involved in the September 11th Ceremony.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Fitzgerald
Deputy Town Manager