

TOWN OF CHESTER, CONNECTICUT  
CHESTER TOWN HALL  
203 MIDDLESEX AVENUE  
CHESTER, CT 06412

Citation Review Board

Minutes of Meeting of October 8, 2018

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. Present were Bettie Perreault, Rick Schreiber and Whitelaw Wilson. Also in attendance was Maureen Brennan-Singer.

2. Request to Review Citations

a. Kyle Rhodes – Citation No. 0683

Mr. Rhodes did not attend the meeting. The Citation remains valid with payment plus penalty due and payable. (Members remained available until 7:25 P.M. in case he arrived late.)

b. Maureen Brennan-Singer – Citation No. 0693

Ms. Brennan-Singer explained that she had been traveling westbound on Route 148, following a pickup truck with another vehicle behind her. All three vehicles were traveling at approximately the same rate of speed. While acknowledging all were probably exceeding the posted speed limit (40 MPH), she felt she had been simply traveling with the flow of traffic, and did not know why she had been cited while the vehicles in front of and behind her were not stopped.

Board members pointed out that a Citation that carried a fee of \$75 had been issued, while the officer could have issued a State infraction ticket with a significantly higher penalty. After discussion and review of both the Citation and Ms. Brennan-Singer's testimony, with recognition that she acknowledged probably exceeding the posted speed limit, it was the unanimous consensus of the Board that Citation No. 0693 remains valid and requires payment of the fee to the Town of Chester.

It should be noted that Ms. Brennan-Singer was very courteous and cooperative throughout the deliberations and indicated that payment would be made to the Town.

3. Guests

None were present.

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4. Other

The Board noted there has been no reported action taken concerning review of the Citation process since a meeting earlier in the year with the First Selectman, local police personnel and Board members.

An update from the Selectmen's office will be requested, with the recommendation that revision of the Citation form itself be made along with initiation of careful review/revisions of the fee schedule for infractions, followed by implementation of recommended changes.

5. Approval of Minutes – April 9, 2018

No meetings were held between April 9, 2018 and the present.

**On motion by Rick Schreiber, seconded by Bettie Perreault, the minutes as filed were approved.** Whitey Wilson abstained, as he had not been present at that meeting.

6. New Business

The meeting schedule for 2019 was reviewed. Monthly meetings will continue to be scheduled as required for the second Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in an assigned meeting room in the Town Hall. In the event of conflict with a legal holiday, any meeting(s) required will be scheduled for the Monday of the following week.

7. Adjournment

**On motion by Rick Schreiber, seconded by Whitey Wilson, there being no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Bettie Perreault*

Acting as Secretary