

# POLICE COMMISSION



## **Frank Ferrara**

Republican Party

### **Biographical Statement**

**Frank Ferrara** has devoted his life to public service.

Frank served 31 years in law enforcement in various roles including patrol, SWAT, community policing, rescue operations, and safe management of public events.

As a supervisor, he demonstrated exceptional front-line leadership, management and budget skills.

Community service ranges from supervising/manning a 24/7 helpline for officers in mental distress to leading various Weston volunteer services and a holiday event for 5,000 special-needs children (25 years).

### **In your opinion, what is the most significant issue facing Weston today?**

Nothing is more important than the safety, welfare, and development of our children. Once the envy of our state, our Weston schools have shown concerning drop-off in rankings of academic excellence; we need to reverse that trend.

As a taxpayer with adult children, I know the financial burden outstanding education can place on our citizens. But there can be no greater priority than our children and it is the duty of our elected officials to balance our spending priorities while holding taxes firm. I am committed to that challenge, while ensuring the needs of our first responders are met.

### **Why are running for this specific office and what do you bring to it?**

Experience, passion, and a fresh approach.

I bring decades of distinguished police work, complemented by on-going support for the well-being of my fellow officers. This makes me uniquely qualified to address the needs of our Weston police force.

Second, I am passionate about the critical role a strong and caring police force makes in fostering a safe and healthy community. I am committed to ensuring the residents of Weston always feel respected, safe, and protected.

As your newly elected representative, I will bring that passion, energy, and new ideas to this important position.

**What is the most important issue this board/commission faces and how would you potentially address it?**

There are several issues that need attention, but none more important than building tomorrow's town leadership.

Good leaders manage for today, but better leaders plan for the future. Like many of you, I am concerned about the impending retirement of upper management town staff and senior officers. We need to reach out wide to engage and recruit tomorrow's leaders.

I intend to be part of the solution, helping create an inclusive town management and police force that welcomes new faces and fresh thinking as we build a strong and sustainable Weston for tomorrow.