

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HONORABLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021**

Zoom Meeting:

<https://www.bridgeportct.gov/policecommission>

The meeting was called to order at **6:12 p.m.**

Item #1 **Roll call of Commissioners:**

Lyons, Roach, Farrow, and Cuminotto

Also present: Deputy Chief James Baraja, Sergeant Joel Carley, and Sergeant Adam Rozum.

Item #2 **a. None**

b. A moment of silence was observed for retired Sergeant Roberto Melendez who passed away on January 21, 2021.

c. A moment of silence was observed for retired Officer Patrick Loturco who passed away on January 30, 2021.

d. A moment of silence was observed for retired Officer Luis A. Santana who passed away on February 21, 2021.

e. A moment of silence was observed for retired Officer Thomas R. Will who passed away on February 28, 2021.

f. A moment of silence was observed for retired Officer Jesus Llanos who passed away on March 7, 2021.

g. On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Lyons, the board unanimously voted to approve item **2g**.

Item #3 **Reports:**

a. Chief: Deputy Chief Baraja presented the following to the board: With the recent no confidence vote, D.C. Baraja will be addressing issues and concerns with the Union. The recruit class of 16 is scheduled to graduate in late April and or early May. A Field Training Program (FTO) is being initiated in the department and an active recruitment effort/drive is also being established.

b. Union: None

Executive Session: None

c. OIA: A monthly report by the OIC of Internal Affairs was submitted to the Police Commission.

Public Session:

d. Clerk:

a. A Second-Step Barros complaint was filed with the Department Clerk and several Barros hearings are being planned for April/May.

Special Reports: None

Item #4 **New Business:** None

Item #5 **Old Business:** None

Item #6 **Correspondence:** None

Item #7 **Letters of Appreciation:** **a.** Noted

Item #8 **Widow's Pension:**

a. On a motion by Commissioner Cuminotto and seconded by Commissioner Lyons, the board unanimously voted to approve item **8a**.

Item #9 **Other Scheduled Matters a:**

i, ii, iii, iv, v, vi, and vii: On a motion by Commissioner Lyons and seconded by Commissioner Cuminotto, the board unanimously voted to approve the recommendations of the City Engineer's office and approve these requests.

Other Scheduled Matters b:

i: On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Lyons, the board unanimously voted to approve the recommendation of the City Engineer's office and deny this request.

ii: On a motion by Commissioner Lyons and seconded by Commissioner Farrow, the board unanimously voted to deny the recommendation of the City Engineer's office and approve this request.

iii, iv, and v: On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Lyons, the board unanimously voted to approve the recommendations of the City Engineer's office and deny these requests.

vi: On a motion by Commissioner Lyons and seconded by Commissioner Cuminotto, the board unanimously voted to approve the recommendation of the City Engineer's office and deny this request.

vii: On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Lyons, the board unanimously voted to approve the recommendation of the City Engineer's office and deny this request.

Adjournment: On a motion by Commissioner Lyons and seconded by Commissioner Cuminotto, the board unanimously voted to adjourn at **6:36 p.m.**

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS FOR PENSION PLAN "A" MEMBER:

Lyons, Roach, Farrow, and Cuminotto.

1: On a motion by Commissioner Cuminotto and seconded by Commissioner Lyons, the board unanimously voted to approve the request of Mrs. Teresa Loturco to receive a widow's pension (Plan-A), effective immediately.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Diaz, the board unanimously voted to adjourn at **6:40 p.m.**

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