

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HONORABLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2020
CITY HALL ANNEX
999 BROAD STREET
OPED CONFERENCE ROOM
BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT**

The meeting was called to order at 7:29 p.m.

Present were Commissioners: Lyons, Cruz, Quarles, Roach, Farrow, and Cuminotto.

Item #1

Roll call of Commissioners:

Lyons, Cruz, Quarles, Roach, Farrow, and Cuminotto. Also present Lieutenant Santiago Llanos, Lieutenant Manuel Cotto, and Associate City Attorney Richard Kascak.

Item #2

- a. The pledge of allegiance was observed.
- b. A moment of silence was observed for Officer Jarah Mathews-Dixon who passed away on January 4, 2020.
- c. A moment of silence was observed for retired Office Joseph Procaccini who passed away on January 9, 2020.
- d. On a motion by Commissioner Lyons and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to approve the minutes listed as item 2d.
- e. On a motion by Commissioner Cruz and seconded by Commissioner Quarles, the board unanimously voted to approve the minutes listed as item 2e.
- f. On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to approve the minutes listed as item 2f.

Item #3

Reports:

- a. **Chief:** No report given.
- b. **Union:** No report given.

Executive Session: On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to go into executive session at 7:44 p.m.

- c. **OIA:** Noted

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- c. **Clerk:** Board updated with respect to upcoming meetings.
- d. **Special Reports:** Department Clerk distributed the SIM report to the board. Lieutenant O'Donnell asked the board to change the deadline for items to be placed on the regular monthly agenda from the **Friday (10:00 a.m.)** before the third Tuesday of every month to **Thursday-10:00 a.m.** The board unanimously agreed to this change.

Item #4

New Businesses:

- a. **Addendum Item 4a**-Lieutenant Manuel Cotto and Associate City Attorney Richard Kascak addressed the board regarding the **Policy Section 7 and 8**. Lt. Cotto will email Policy 7 and 8 to all the Commissioners and is requesting a review and approval of these policies at a future date.

Item #5

Old Business:

- a. On a motion by Commissioner Quarles and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to **remove the "Stop Sign" on Vincellette Street (easterly direction) adjacent to Beavue Terrace.**

Item #6

Correspondence:

- a. Attorney Kascak will address this item and will follow-up with the Commission regarding this matter at the February 18, 2020 regular monthly board meeting.

****Note-**The board expressed their concern to Attorney Kascak regarding the issue of a City Attorney attending all BOPC regular monthly meetings.

Item #7

Letters of Appreciation: None

Item #8

Widow's Pension (Plan A): Addendum Item 8a:

- a. On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Quarles the board unanimously voted to approve the request of Nydia E. Procaccini to receive a widow's pension (Plan A), effective immediately.

Item #9

Other Scheduled Matters a:

- a-i:** On a motion by Commissioner Cruz and seconded by Commissioner Quarles the board unanimously voted to approve item **9a-i.**

Other Scheduled Matters b:

- b-i:** On a motion by Commissioner Cruz and seconded by Commissioner Quarles, the board unanimously voted to table this matter and direct Lt. O'Donnell to draft a letter to the Traffic Engineer and Public Facilities for a recommendation on the placement of a removable/temporary speed hump at this location.

b-ii: On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to table this matter and direct Lt. O'Donnell to draft a letter to the Traffic Engineer for other recommendations regarding this request.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Commissioner Lyons and seconded by Commissioner Diaz, the board unanimously voted to adjourn at **7:54 p.m.**

**BOARD RECONVENUES AS THE TRUSTEE OF THE POLICE RELIEF FUND
"PLAN A"**

Time: 8:52 p.m.

Roll call of the Officers for the Pension "A" Member:

Lyons, Cruz, Quarles, Roach, Farrow, and Cuminotto.

1: On a motion by Commissioner Cuminotto and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to combine and approve the request of Nydia E. Procaccini to receive a widow's pension (Plan A), effective immediately.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to adjourn **8:52 p.m.**

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