

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HONORABLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2020**

Zoom Meeting:

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

The meeting was called to order at **6:06 p.m.**

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

Lyons, Cruz, Quarles, Roach, Cuminotto, Diaz, and Farrow. **Also present:** Chief Rebeca Garcia, Lieutenant Manuel Cotto, Sergeant Joel Carley, Sergeant Adam Rozum and Mr. Murali Chiravuri.

Item #2 **a. None**

b. A moment of silence was observed for retired Officer Anthony J. Ciofani who passed away on September 12, 2020.

c. A moment of silence was observed for retired Officer Frank Davis who passed away on October 4, 2020.

d, e, f, g, h, and i. On a motion by Commissioner Cruz and seconded by Commissioner Diaz, the board unanimously voted to approve the minutes listed as **2d, e, f, g, h, and i.**

Item #3 **Reports:**

a. Chief: Chief Rebeca Garcia presented the following to the board: The patrol division retrieved thirty firearms off the streets during the month of September. The combined efforts of the Strategic Enforcement Unit and the Patrol Division recently obtained a warrant for the arrest of a violent suspect. Project Longevity continues to reach out to the community with the assistance of retired Detective Harold Dimbo and officers assigned to this unit. Sixteen recruits in the academy and are scheduled to graduate in May 2021. Current staffing 368 and project 428. Detective test appeals filed with Civil Service. Eight to ten officers will be promoted to the rank of detective once the list is certified by Civil Service. A Civilian Detention Officer and Police Lieutenant test is being planned by Civil Service. A test for Police Captain is planned for some time in 2021. The annual Allocation Plan is currently being reviewed by the Chief and Lt. Cotto and will be issued shortly. The Chief has a plan in place for a pre-and post-election detail. The Chief is planning an awards ceremony for three officers and will notify Commissioners when a date is established. Commissioner Roach thanked the Chief for her assistance in addressing issues at McLevy Green and the Downtown District. A meeting is planned for Monday with the downtown district and business owners and a representative of the police department was asked to attend.

b. Union: None

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

Public Session:

d. **Clerk:**

- a. A Barros hearing is scheduled for OIA Case 17I-206 on December 1 and 8, 2020 and a Barros Hearing for OIA Case 17I-200 is scheduled for October 22, 2020.

Special Reports: None

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New Businesses:

- a. Murali Chiravuri addressed the board regarding speeding and quality of life issues (excessive noise/music) at St. Mary's By the Sea. Commissioner Roach will be addressing these issues with the police officers assigned to the area and the possibility of placing temporary/removable speed humps in this area. Mr. Chiravuri will be following up with Commissioner Roach and Lt. O'Donnell regarding these issues.

Item #5

Old Business:

- a. On a motion by Commissioner Diaz and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to approve Policy and Procedures/General Order: **9.01, 9.02, 3.01, 3.05, and 1.02.**

Item #6

Correspondence: None

Item #7

Letters of Appreciation: None

Item #8

Widow's Pension:

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

Item #9

Other Scheduled Matters a: None

Other Scheduled Matters b: None

Adjournment: 7:20 p.m.

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

Lyons, Cruz, Quarles, Roach, Farrow, Cumintto, and Diaz

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

Adjournment:

On a motion by Commissioner Diaz and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to adjourn at **7:22 p.m.**

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