

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
HONORABLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020**

**Zoom Meeting:**

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

The meeting was called to order at **6:10 p.m.**

Item #1

**Roll call of Commissioners:**

Roach, Farrow, Cuminotto, and Diaz. **Also present:** Chief Rebeca Garcia, Sergeant Joel Carley, and Sergeant Adam Rozum.

Item #2

**a.** None

**b.** A moment of silence was observed for retired Sergeant Angelo Pierce who passed away on November 8, 2020.

**c.** A moment of silence was observed for retired Officer Bruce Hoag who passed away on November 14, 2020.

**d.** A moment of silence was observed for retired Sergeant Eugene O'Neill who passed away on November 20, 2020.

**e.** A moment of silence was observed for retired Officer Jack Macieski who passed away on December 1, 2020.

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

Item #3

**Reports:**

**a. Chief:** Chief Rebeca Garcia presented the following to the board: Promotions of 10 detectives and 2 sergeants on 12/15/2020. Well attended promotional and awards ceremony at the police memorial with many family, friends, and local law enforcement members including several police commissioners. One homicide on 12/13/2020 which brings the total to 21 for the year and 5000 ShotSpotter activations. Project Longevity continues in full mode and the Chief is exploring the possibility of extending the program to address juveniles with early intervention programs. Harold Dimbo continues to meet with community groups (MOMS) to discuss issues and resolutions to gun violence. The Chief continues to work and meet with the community to address the issue of gun violence. The Chief is preparing for the storm and continues to address daily COVID issues and concerns. The Chief reports to the commission that ShotSpotter activation occurs outside and not inside buildings or motor vehicles. The Strategic Enforcement Unit continues to work two days a week in hotspot areas identified throughout the City. The Chief recently walked and met with PTB community members.

**Union:**

b. Sergeant Brad Seely presented the following to the board: Sergeant Seely thanked the Commissioners for attending the promotional/awards ceremony on 12/15/2020. The Union has a new board of the following recently elected members: President-Brad Seely, Vice President-Juan Vicens, Secretary- Ed Golding, Treasurer-Mike Salemme, Executive Board Members: Jorge Cintron, John Gale, Douglas Bepko, Mike Falbo, Gary Miller, and Everton Walker. The new board continues to work with the City and Community to address several issues including the Police Accountability Bill. The entire union and department members want to continue to strengthen relationships with the community in 2021.

**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. Lt. O'Donnell will schedule dates for Barros Hearing in January and February 2021.

**Special Reports:** None

Item #4 **New Business:** None

Item #5 **Old Business:** None

Item #6 **Correspondence:**  
a. Noted

Item #7 **Letters of Appreciation:** None

Item #8 **Widow's Pension:**  
a: On a motion by Commissioner Cuminotto and seconded by Commissioner Diaz, the board unanimously voted to approve item **8a**.  
  
b: On a motion by Commissioner Cuminotto and seconded by Commissioner Farrow, the board unanimously voted to approve item **8b**.

Item #9

**Other Scheduled Matters a:**

**i and ii:** On a motion by Commissioner Diaz and seconded by Commissioner Cuminotto, the board unanimously voted to combine and approve items **9i and ii.**

**iii and iv:** On a motion by Commissioner Cuminotto and seconded by Diaz, the board unanimously voted to combine and approve items **9iii and iv.**

**Other Scheduled Matters b:**

**i:** On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Cuminotto, the board unanimously voted to approve the recommendation of the City Engineer and deny item **9b-i.**

**Adjournment:** On a motion by Commissioner Diaz and seconded by Commissioner Cuminotto, the board unanimously voted to adjourn at **6:38 p.m.**

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

**Roach, Farrow, Cumintto, and Diaz.**

**1 and 2:** On a motion by Commissioner Cuminotto and seconded by Commissioner Diaz, the board unanimously voted to combine and approve the request of Mrs. Cornelia O'Neill and Mrs. Irene Macieski 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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