

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HONORABLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2019
CITY HALL ANNEX
999 BROAD STREET
CONFERENCE ROOM-A&B
BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT**

The meeting was called to order at 6:38 p.m.

Present were Commissioners: Cruz, Quarles, Farrow, Cuminotto, and Diaz.

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

Present were Commissioners: Cruz, Quarles, Farrow, Cuminotto, and Diaz. Also present: Chief Armando J. Perez, Lieutenant Santiago Llanos, Councilmember Eneida Martinez, Councilmember Maria I. Valle, Mr. John Brezina, and Mr. Victor Jones.

Item #2 a. The pledge of allegiance was observed.

b. On a motion by Commissioner Cuminotto and seconded by Commissioner Diaz, the board unanimously voted to approve the minutes listed as item 2b.

c. On a motion by Commissioner Cuminotto and seconded by Commissioner Diaz, the board unanimously voted to approve the minutes listed as item 2c.

Item #3 **Reports:**

a. **Chief:** Chief Perez presented the following to the board: several high capacity firearms removed from the city streets with numerous arrests and on-going investigations, continue to work with State Police walking details with patrol division, Captain Rebeca Garcia and Recruit Class 41 participated in the recent MS Walk and raised \$4000.00, On-going meetings with the U.S. Attorney regarding the issue of increased gun violence in the city, upcoming meeting on September 20, 2019, continue to work with Project Longevity to address issues with juveniles, weekly strategic meetings with command staff every Monday and Wednesday, and discussed the request for citizens to attend the weekly CompStat meeting.

b. **Union:** None

Executive Session: On a motion by Commissioner Diaz and seconded by Commissioner Cuminotto, the board unanimously voted to go into executive session to discuss pending investigations at **7:48 p.m.**

Public Session: 8:55 p.m.

c. **OIA:** Noted

d. **Clerk:** Board updated with respect to upcoming meetings:

Special Reports: None

Item #4

New Businesses:

a. Councilmember Valle and Mr. John Brezina discussed a traffic matter/request on Barnum Avenue and Hallett Street. This request will be forwarded by Lt. O'Donnell to the Traffic Engineer for a review and recommendation. Councilmember Valle discussed her concerns with the process of a traffic request from the time it is submitted as a resolution with the Common Council to the submission to the Traffic Engineer. The board has requested for the Traffic Engineer to attend the next board meeting in October 2019. Lt. O'Donnell will be following up with the Traffic Engineer regarding traffic requests submitted by Councilmember Valle and will report back to the board regarding the status of the requests

b. Councilmember Martinez addressed the board regarding a traffic matter/request on Union Avenue. Lt. O'Donnell will follow-up with the Traffic Engineer.

c. Councilmember Jackson was not in attendance.

d. Councilmember Smith was not in attendance.

e. Mr. Victor Jones addressed the board regarding his request to attend the weekly CompStat meeting in the police department. He submitted an addendum regarding this matter. The board and Lt. O'Donnell will discuss this matter with the Chief and will follow-up with Mr. Jones.

Item #5

Old Business: None

Item #6

Correspondence: Item 6a-Noted

Item #7

Letters of Appreciation: None

Item #8

Widow's Pension: None

Item #9

Other Scheduled Matters a:

a- i, ii, iii: On a motion by Commissioner Diaz and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to combine and approve the recommendations of the Traffic Engineer for items: 9a-i-ii-iii.

Other Scheduled Matters b:

b-i, ii, iii: On a motion by Commissioner Cruz and seconded by Commissioner Cuminotto, the board unanimously voted to combine and approve the recommendations of the Traffic Engineer for items: 9b-i, ii, iii.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Commissioner Cruz and seconded by Commissioner Cuminotto, the board unanimously voted to adjourn at **9:08 p.m.**