

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HONORABLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M.

Present were Commissioners: Roach, Castillo, Cuminotto, Farrow, and Cruz. Also present were: Chief Armando J. Perez, Captain Mark Straubel, and Sergeant Charles Paris.

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

Present were Commissioners: Cruz, Roach, Farrow, Castillo, and Cuminotto.

Item #2

a. The pledge of allegiance observed.

Item #3

Minutes of Prior Meetings:

a- : On a motion by Commissioner Cruz seconded by Commissioner Farrow, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes listed as item **a**.

Item #4

Reports:

- a. **Chief:** Chief Perez reported the following to the board: Current department strength of 375 with 24 recruits training in the academy-399, COPS grant requires the department to be at 407 to fund police officer positions, meeting regarding recruitment program with Captain Rod Porter, Sergeant Milton Johnson and City departments is planned to discuss the hiring of more police officers, 2 homicides occurred in January 2017, several homicides and robbery cases are close to being solved by detectives, several arrests by Gang Task Force members involving the seizure of drugs and firearms, Fatal motor vehicle crashes are on the rise nationally, 13 people died in motor vehicle accidents with 6 deaths occurring while people were crossing the street, more officers will be placed in the traffic unit to address this problem, and a regional firearms range is being proposed at the State level that would be located behind the Animal Shelter .
- b. **Union:** Sergeant Paris reported the following to the board: On-going contract negotiations with the City, resolved 3 grievances with Chief Perez, Theresa Pisanelli, wife of Officer Brian Pisanelli passed away suddenly on January 5, 2017, and the order for Memorial Bricks are in and future Memorial opening in the Spring or Summer.
- c. **OIA:** None
- d. **Clerk:** Board updated with respect to upcoming meetings.
- e. **Board Committees:** None
- f. **Special Reports:** Valerie Quarles has been named to the Police Commission.

Item #5

Old Businesses: None

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Item #6 **New Businessos:** None

Item #7 **Policies and Procedures:** None

Item #8 **Letters of Appreciation:** None

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

a. **i, ii, iii, iv, v, vi, vii, viii, and ix:** On a motion by Commissioner Cruz and seconded by Commissioner Castillo, the board unanimously voted to **approve** the recommendations of the City Traffic Engineer.

Other Scheduled Matters b:

b. **i, ii, and iii:** On a motion by Commissioner Castillo and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to **approve** the recommendations of the City Traffic Engineer and **deny these request.**

On a motion by Commissioner Cruz and seconded by Commissioner Lyons, the board unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:32 P.M.

NO