

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HONORABLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS HELD DECEMBER 16, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 6:50pm

Present were Commissioners: Brown, Roach, Cruz, Castillo, Farrow, and Lyons. Also present were Chief J. Gaudett, Assistant Chief J. Nardozzi, Deputy Chief J. Baraja, Lieutenant R. Garcia, Lieutenant M. Straubel Sgt. C. Paris and Associate City Attorney A. Laske and S. DePiano.

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

Present were Commissioners: Brown, Roach, Cruz, Castillo, Farrow, and Lyons.

Item #2

a. The pledge of allegiance observed.

Item #3 **Minutes of Prior Meetings:**

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

Item #4 **Reports:**

- a. **Chief:** Chief Gaudett discussed the following items with the board: December 8, 2014 Wall St. Journal Article, PRI-Update, U.S. Attorney meeting regarding Project Longevity, City Ordinance pertaining to ATV's and Dirt Bikes, Use of Force Summit with Daigle Law Group, Promotional Exam for detective position scheduled for mid-January 2015, Recruitment effort and Police Officer entry exam scheduled for March 2015, Meeting with Superintendent of Schools discussing placement of cameras on school buses to identify vehicles that go through red lights, Meeting with Bridgeport Housing Authority Director discussing security within housing authority locations, Attended YANA memorial support group, Attended East End Tree Lighting Ceremony, Traffic Matter: Madison Ave. & Geduldig St. meeting with concerned parties on 12-18-14 request to table matter for next board meeting, discussed C.H.I.P. and Cooper's Testing.
- b. **Union:** Sgt. Paris discussed: Robbery arrest concerning mail carrier in PTB, Christmas Village 12-20-14, Progressing towards a contract agreement with the union and city, Meeting with Chief Gaudett regarding extension of current temporary detective positions in DB and YB, Captain Savino retirement 12-20-14, and Union agreement with proposed new policies and procedures.

On a motion by Commissioner Cruz seconded by Commissioner Farrow, the board voted unanimously to go into executive session at 7:15 PM to discuss item 4.c.

- c. **OIA:** Lt. Garcia presented a written report on the status of various cases and discussed other investigatory matters.

The board went back into public session at 7:30PM.

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- d. **Clerk:** Board updated with respect to upcoming meetings.
- e. **Board Committees:** On a motion by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board voted to establish a panel to hear OIA Case#: 12I-286 (P.O. C. Higgins). Panel members: Commissioners Lyons, Cruz, and Roach. Special board meeting regarding this matter: January 6 and 7, 2015. Special board meeting regarding OIA Case#: 13I-182 (Sgt. Feola) scheduled for January 7, 2015, and Barros meeting scheduled for: January 13 and 14, 2015.
- f. **Special Reports:** None.

Item #5 **Old Businesses:** Deputy Chief Baraja discussed IPAD roll-out for Commissioners regarding issues pertaining to security, website tutorial, email addresses, and future training courses.

Item #6 **New Businesses:** None

Item #7 **Policies and Procedures:**

- a. Request of Lieutenant Straubel to review and approve the following Policies and Procedures: **1. Civil Disputes, 2. Animal Control, and 3. Unarrest.** On a motion by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to **approve** policy and procedure: **7a-1, 7a-2, and 7a-3.**
- b. Lt. Straubel updated the board on the awards ceremony scheduled for February 9, 2015 at Fairchild Wheeler Magnet School.
- c. Update on a Suspension/Termination Policy.

Item #8 **Correspondence:**
A-C Noted

Item #9 **Widow's Pension:** None

Item #10 **Other Scheduled Matters a:**

- i-viii On a motion by Commissioner Cruz and seconded by Commissioner Lyons, the board unanimously voted to combine and approve the recommendations of the traffic engineer.

Item #10 **Other Scheduled Matters b:**

- i: On a motion by Commissioner Cruz seconded by Commissioner Brown, the board unanimously voted to **deny the recommendation of the traffic engineer and APPROVE the request for a handicap parking sign at 41 Clarkson Street.**
- ii-viii and x-xi: On a motion by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Farrow, the board unanimously voted to approve the recommendation of the Traffic Engineer and deny these matters.
- ix: On a motion by Commissioner Lyons and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to **table this matter until the next board meeting on January 20, 2015.**

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On a motion by Commissioner Lyons seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:55PM

NO