

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HONORABLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 P.M.

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

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

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

Item #2

- a. The pledge of allegiance observed.
- b. A moment of silence was observed for Police Officer Kenneth S. Kubel, Sr. who passed away on February 21, 2016.

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

- a- On a motion by Commissioner Cruz seconded by Commissioner Cuminotto, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes listed as item 3a.

Item #4 **Reports:**

- a. **Chief:** Chief Armando J. Perez discussed the following items with the board: Prior to the meeting tonight the Chief responded to shots fired at Trumbull Gardens at approximately 4:45 PM, Project Longevity update, addressed the patrol line-ups regarding officer safety issues, meeting with Department of Justice and DEA addressing numerous issues regarding increased homicides and continuing a partnership with them and the department, upcoming St. Patrick's Day Parade and NCAA Basketball tournament at the Arena and the new Housing Project Detail.
- b. **Union:** Sergeant Paris discussed the following items with the board: looking forward to working with the new Chief and support of Community Policing and the new Housing Project Detail, increasing the need for more camera's in the City, attended the swearing-in ceremony on 02-18-16 for Chief James Viadero-Newtown Police Department, update on the Police Memorial, working with City for the police recruits to work a 40 hour week and graduate one month earlier, FTO program and open carry issue.

Executive Session: On a motion by Commissioner Cruz and seconded by Commissioner Farrow, the board unanimously voted to go into executive session at 7:16 P. M. to hear the Office of Internal Affairs report.

- c. **OIA:** Noted

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- d. **Clerk:** The clerk will be meeting with the City Attorney's office to discuss legal representation for the Board of Police Commissioners for upcoming discipline cases.
- e. **Board Committees:** None
- f. **Special Reports:** Commissioner Roach addressed the board regarding P.O. Pasquale Feola appeal regarding his recent disciplinary action. Panel members voiced concerns regarding this matter and asked for a meeting within one week to continue the discussion. The department clerk would be notified to make notifications to panel members for the upcoming meeting.

Item #5 **Old Businesses:** None

Item#6 **New Business:** Commissioner Roach updated the board regarding the possible/pending appointment of Valerie Quarles to the board of police commissioners.

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

Item #8 **Correspondence:** Noted

Item #9 **Letters of Appreciation:** Noted

Item#10 **Pension Matters/Grievances:** None

Item #11 **Other Scheduled Matters :**

a-i, ii, iii: On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board **voted to approve the recommendations** of the City Traffic Engineer.

b-i: On a motion by Commissioner Castillo and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously **voted to deny the recommendation** of the City Traffic Engineer not to install a "No Parking Any Time" at Old Battery Road (Southbound side of the street only) from Grover's Avenue to the cul-de-sack.

b-ii, iii: On a motion by Commissioner Farrow and seconded by Commissioner Cruz, the board unanimously voted to have the Department Clerk obtain information from the State of Connecticut and report back to the board on this matter for a final decision.

On a motion by Commissioner Cuminotto and seconded by Commissioner Castillo, the board unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:05 P.M.

NO

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