



**VILLAGE OF LAKE ZURICH**  
**Board Of Fire & Police Commissioners**  
200 Mohawk Trail  
Lake Zurich, IL 60047

The regular meeting was held on October 19, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Lake Zurich Police Department.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. The following members were present: Commissioner Chairman Grooms; Commissioner Reck; Commissioner Kelly; Police Deputy Chief Finlon; Fire Chief Wheelock; Office Manager Chesser and Office Manager Kauffman.

**ABSENT:**

Police Chief Finlon

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Commissioner Reck motioned to approve the minutes of September 21, 2011, seconded by Commissioner Kelly. All ayes. Motion approved by voice vote.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Office Manager Chesser had commissioners sign ID card for new officer Thiergood.

**PENDING BUSINESS:**

**Fire:**

Chief Wheelock discussed the status of new hire candidate, Justin Brooks. The background check has not yet been completed for Brooks but it is anticipated that it will be completed soon and if results indicate then Brooks will continue through the next steps of the hiring process as approved at September meeting.

Chief Wheelock also updated the status of the new Firefighter Hiring Act and discussed the rules and regulations and that this issue will remain on the agenda as pending business. Commissioner Kelly will send out a "model set" of the rules and regulations changes for review. The changes apply to the Fire Department only. The changes will have to be approved before testing in late Spring 2012.

**Police:**

Deputy Chief Finlon added the items that the Police Department would consider as changes to the rules and regulations, such as probationary time for promotions and waiving certain items for entry level officers, such as developing two lists. This has been discussed previously. Commissioner Kelly will send the others a copy of the model rules. These are primarily for fire departments but can be modified for police as well.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Fire:**

No new business.



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**Police:**

Deputy Chief Finlon advised that the department has suspended the background on the sixth candidate on the eligibility list, Raul Valladares, due to several inconsistencies in his background. Commissioners read the recommendation from Commander Anderson who did the background on Candidate Valladares. Commissioner Kelly made a motion to reject Candidate Valladares based on his background investigation results. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. All ayes. Motion carried by voice vote. Office Manager Chesser will send him a letter advising him of removal from the testing process.

Deputy Chief Finlon advised that the investigation of anymore candidates will be slowed down now due to the department not acquiring police services for Deer Park and until the transfer from water and sewer funds takes place.

Commissioner Reck mentioned he had been asked by one of our sergeant candidates regarding wanting to see the written test questions. This was discussed in the past that he cannot see the actual questions.

Commissioners discussed their budget. Commission President Grooms created it last year. There will be testing for both Fire and Police in 2012. Amounts that will be needed will be figured out.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no more business to come before the Board, Commissioner Grooms made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Kelly. All ayes. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

  
Chairman

11-16-11  
Date

Submitted by: 

Recording Secretary