



THE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION

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MEETING MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Lake Zurich Board of Fire and Police Commissioners was held on August 17, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. at the Lake Zurich Police Department at 200 Mohawk Trail in Lake Zurich, Illinois.

I Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Commissioner Hilt.

Roll call shows the following commissioners were present: Commissioner Hilt and Commissioner Bush. Commissioner Kelly was absent and excused.

Also present: Police Chief Husak, Fire Chief Pilgard, and Deputy Fire Chief Christopherson

II Public Comment

None

III Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Bush made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2021 meeting as presented, seconded by Commissioner Hilt and passed on a voice vote.

IV Communications

None

V. Pending Business

Fire Department Update

Chief Pilgard advised the Board that Public Act 102-0375 (SB2150) has changed some of the language of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/10-1-7.1 and 5/10-2.1-6.3) regarding original appointments; full-time fire department. He will forward the new language to the Board and investigate its effect on the hiring process.

Captain Johnston has announced that he will be retiring effective August 25, 2021. Chief Pilgard advised the Board that the current fire captain eligibility list has been exhausted, necessitating a new testing process early in 2022. He is working on a plan to temporarily fill the vacancy until a permanent captain can be selected.

There is the potential for the current firefighter/paramedic eligibility list to be depleted before it expires, which could necessitate a new testing process early in 2022.

Police Department Update

Chief Husak provided the Board with an update on extended time off by staff for maternity leave and various injuries.

The Board confirmed that police officer candidate Scarry will be sworn in on August 23, 2021.

VI New Business

Rules and Regulations Update

The Board thanked Chief Husak for his work on the draft language updates to the rules and regulations. Based on the depth and breadth of the document, it was suggested that a workshop be set up to review potential changes in person.

Fire

Review of candidate backgrounds

Fire Chief Pilgard and Deputy Chief Christopherson presented background investigations for two firefighter/paramedic candidates. The Board discussed the results of the background reports.

Peter Czyzewski - Commission members discussed their concerns with the background investigation. There was a motion by Commissioner Bush, seconded by Commissioner Hilt, to disqualify firefighter/paramedic candidate Czyzewski from further consideration. On a voice vote, there were all ayes and the motion passed.

Sean Budzman - Commission members discussed their concerns with the background investigation and polygraph examination results. There was a motion by Commissioner Bush, seconded by Commissioner Hilt, to disqualify firefighter/paramedic candidate Budzman from further consideration. On a voice vote, there were all ayes and the motion passed.

Police

Sergeant promotion

Chief Husak requested permission from Village Manager Keller and the Commission to fill the sergeant position created by the announcement of Sergeant Patrick Stone's upcoming retirement. The Village Manager approved the request.

Commissioner Bush made a motion to approve the promotion of the next candidate on the promotional eligibility list, Officer Ireneusz (Eric) Bereza, to the rank of sergeant, seconded by Commissioner Hilt and passed on a voice vote. He will be sworn in on August 23, 2021. candidate.

Fire candidate interviews

The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners interviewed firefighter/paramedic candidates.

VII Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Bush made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Hilt and passed on a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Michael Hilt
Commissioner

9-21-21
Date

Submitted by: John
Recording Secretary