

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE FRANKFORT BOARD OF THE FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The regular meeting of the Frankfort Police Commission was called to order at 8:08 a.m. on February 12, 2020, at the Frankfort Village Hall 432 W. Nebraska St. Frankfort, IL 60423.

Roll Call was taken by Chairman Kelley and Commissioner Sunderland was present (Commissioner Fanizzo was out of town and not in attendance). A quorum was present to conduct business. Police Chief John Burica represented the Police Department.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of July 22, 2019 and January 9, 2020 were presented to the board for review, action and approval. Motion to accept was placed by Chairman Sunderland, seconded by Commissioner Kelley and passed by unanimous consent.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The proposed 2019 annual report was presented for review and approval. Motion to accept was placed by Chairman Sunderland, seconded by Commissioner Kelley and passed by unanimous consent.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Currently there are 2 approved vacancies for new officers. Due to the high number of sergeants and officers eligible for retirement (5) and the long training cycle for fully qualified, independently patrolling officers, the Village leadership is discussing the potential of early hiring another 2 candidates later in the fiscal year. While this proposal has not yet been approved there is a potential for the need to hire 3-4 additional candidates this year.

There are only 8 candidates left on the new hire list and these are now undergoing background check.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

OLD BUSINESS

Background checks for new hire candidates are progressing but none are currently complete for review.

There are currently 2 officers in field training and 1 at the Academy. All are progressing well.

The Board received proposals from 2 testing companies (ISO and Cops and Fire) to conduct new hire testing. Both proposals were deemed to be acceptable. However, both companies also advised that testing dates were filling fast and they may not be able to accommodate a desired test date. A motion was made and approved to accept the Cops and Fire proposal based on being less expensive. The motion also included the provision that if an acceptable testing date could not be arranged with Cops and Fire that ISO would be contacted and if they could provide an acceptable date, their proposal would be accepted. The job of arranging a testing date and a venue for testing was given to Chief Burica. Another motion was unanimously approved that qualifications for new hire applicants would be the same as the last testing date with one addition that candidate must obtain a Power Card prior to being given a conditional offer of employment.

Proposals for promotion testing were received. The goal is to have promotion testing in July. These offers will be reviewed at the next meeting of the Board.

Annual review of operating procedures (adding fitness requirement to hiring, other possible changes) will be deferred until all members of the Board are available.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

NEW MEETING DATE

A new meeting will be scheduled after the testing dates have been finalized.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Kelley, seconded by Sunderland. Adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Commissioner Kelley