

Minutes of the meeting of the Fire and Police Commission held Thursday, May 27, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Present at the meeting: Commissioners Dennis Short, Mike Franks, Joel Jackson

Also present: Fire Chief Trent Reeise, Deputy Fire Chief Tony Rendleman, Police Chief John Dossey, Deputy Police Chief Jeff Little, Deputy Police Chief Seth Ranney, Firefighter Eric Benson

Commissioner Short called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Franks to approve the meeting agenda. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion. All in favor.

A motion was made by Commissioner Franks to approve the April 22, 2021 meeting minutes. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion. All in favor.

Departmental Reports

1. FD – Probationary Reports
Probationary firefighter KR came off probationary status effective May 19th. The three newly hired probationary firefighters (CJ, CF, and DH) are progressing well.
2. PD – Probationary Reports
Deputy Chief Little reported that probationary patrolman NA is scheduled to come off probation June 5th, CB August 28th, and JT February 15th. All of them are progressing well.
3. PD – Resignation Letter
4. PD – Request to Hire
5. PD – Request to Promote
6. PD – Promotional Appointment Letters
7. PD – Promotional Acceptance Letters
8. FD – Request to Hire
9. PD – PM 2021-01

Commissioner Franks made a motion to receive and file these reports. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson. All in favor.

Bills:

1. PD – IWIRC – Pre-employment physical DL - \$384.29
2. PD – Stanard & Assoc. – Pre-employment psych evaluation DL - \$395.00
3. PD – Lee Ann Wrhel – Coffee/Assessors 2 days - \$41.96

Commissioner Jackson made a motion to recognize the timely payment of the above listed bills as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Franks. All in favor.

Old Business:

PD – Hiring Update

Probationary patrolman DL was hired on May 7th and began PTI on May 10th. There is currently a lateral applicant going through the background process.

PD – Sergeant Promotional Testing Results

The process is complete and the preliminary list will be posted today. After 10 days have elapsed to allow for requesting military service credit, the final list will be completed and posted.

FD – Battalion Chief Upcoming Testing Process

There are 15 captains eligible to test. The sign up deadline is June 4th. The oral interviews will be conducted on June 24th following the regular meeting. The written exam will be given on July 8th. The list expires August 15th.

New Business:

FD – Hiring Update

There are candidates going through the background process at this time to fill the authorized openings.

Executive Session:

Commissioner Jackson made a motion to go into executive session to discuss 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1 – Personnel. Commissioner Franks seconded the motion. All in favor.

The meeting came back to open session at 9:22 a.m.

Commissioner Franks made a motion to terminate probationary patrolman CW effective today's date of May 27, 2021 due to his failure to successfully progress through the probationary process.

Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion. All in favor.

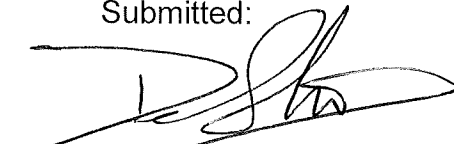
All Other Business Deemed Necessary by the Commissioners

Fire Chief Reeise acknowledged firefighter Eric Benson (present at the meeting) as being assigned to Logistics/Arson Investigator in the Fire Department. He will work a 40-hour week in this newly assigned position.

Fire Chief Reeise reported that three firefighter positions were approved in the city budget.

Fire Chief Reeise asked for consideration to schedule original appointment testing this fall as it appears that the current list will be exhausted by then. He would like to have applications out for a minimum of 6 weeks prior to the testing date. Lee Ann will reach out to Resource Management to find out when they are available to administer the written exam in either September or October. Fire Chief Reeise will reach out to the facility that was used last time to check the availability of the building.

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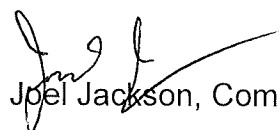


Dennis Short, Chairman

Attest:



Michael Franks, Secretary



Joel Jackson, Commissioner