

Village of Roscoe
BOARD OF FIRE & POLICE COMMISSIONERS

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**MINUTES of JUNE 16, 2021 SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING of THE
VILLAGE OF ROSCOE BOARD of FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

The June 16, 2021 Semi-Monthly Meeting of the Village of Roscoe Board of Fire and Police Commissioners convened at 6:30 p.m. Chairman LeAnn Jones attended remotely via telephone. Commissioner Mark Nytko, Commissioner David Jacobson, Attorney Charles Kostantacos, Deputy Chief Sam Hawley and Secretary Vicki Eggers attended the meeting in person from the Village Hall.

Chairman Jones appointed Commissioner Mark Nytko to be the Acting Chairman, since she was attending remotely via telephone. The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. The roll was called for the record and a quorum was present.

MINUTES

The Minutes from the Regular Meeting on June 02, 2021 were reviewed and discussed. Being as there were no suggested corrections, the Minutes were approved as drafted and distributed on motion by Chairman Jones, seconded by Commissioner Jacobson and followed by a unanimous vote.

CORRESPONDENCE

A Candidate for a new hire position had emailed the Commission a couple of times as well as someone at the Village Hall. He had been informed that once the preference points had been approved and added to the scores, the Final List would be sent to all the Candidates. He was anxious to receive the information and began to contact people at Village Hall. Chairman Jones asked if this should be addressed directly or if a statement could be added to the email that would include the Final List saying to direct any inquiries to the Commission. Attorney Kostantacos will advise Secretary Eggers on wording for the email.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was discussion in reference to possible preference points for Candidates for the Preliminary Eligibility List. Secretary Eggers emailed the Commissioners the names of the Candidates who claimed preference points and their supporting documentation that had been submitted. Chairman Jones reviewed all the documentation and said it looked good. The documentation included college diplomas, transcripts, a military ID and a DD214. There were five candidates who requested preference points.

1. Tyler Baird
2. Blake Stewart
3. Daniel Lozano
4. Evenly Hinojosa Sanchez
5. Muhammad Ali Alasadi

The Final Register of Eligibles with the preference points included was in the email to the Commissioners. A Motion to approve the preference points claimed by Tyler Baird, Blake Stewart, Daniel Lozano, Evenly Hinojosa Sanchez and Muhammad Ali Alasadi was made by Commissioner Jacobson and seconded by Chairman Jones, followed by unanimous roll call vote to approve the claims. A Motion was made by Chairman Jones to approve the Final Eligibility List and seconded by Commissioner Jacobson, followed by unanimous roll call vote to approve. The List will be posted and emails sent to the Candidates to inform them.

Chairman Jones mentioned there being three open positions and asked if the Police Academy could be considered for the first person on the list while simultaneously moving forward with Lateral Hire process. It was reported that there had only been three applications submitted for Lateral Hire, but the deadline to apply was June 30, 2021. Deputy Chief Hawley had started looking into openings at a Police Academy. He reported that none of them had returned his calls yet. He reported that the earliest opening he could find has a waiting list for January 2022. The Academy is full but they created a waiting list. The next session is May 2022. He is going to reserve three spots at each Police Academy. Any reservation can be cancelled if they are not needed.

There was a brief discussion on whether or not to background someone not knowing when they can get into an academy. More discussion will follow at a later date.

The deadline for the Lateral Hire applications was June 30, 2021. There was discussion about having a meeting to review the applications after the deadline and before the interviews start on July 8, 2021. If two or more Commissioners are present, a Special Meeting must be called. Secretary Eggers will send out the interview times to the applicants. Secretary Eggers will create the Notice of a Special Meeting and Agenda to review the applications.

Discussion moved to the Promotional testing. Secretary Eggers sent emails in reference to the test dates and times to the nine people that would like to participate. Secretary Eggers will assign the codes to each person to access the digital version of each of the five books included in the study material and will also include the directions on how to use them. The hard copies of the books had arrived as well.

Attorney Kostantacos will confirm the test dates with I/O Solutions to be sure they mail the tests in time. He also confirmed that the Commissioners will proctor the exams.

NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Chief Hawley reported that the Village Board approved filling two new positions. There is one opening due to someone leaving the department and two new positions, so there are now three open positions at the Police Department.

BILLS

Chairman Jones had concerns about a bill for an ad with Blue Line. She emailed Attorney Kostantacos and said we needed a new/revised bill from them. Attorney Kostantacos reported that Blue Line charged for a nationwide ad and that was incorrect, because our Statute only allows Laterals to be from the State of Illinois. He reached out to them and had been trying to resolve this issue; however, he had not heard back from them as of the meeting. The bill will be held out until the matter is resolved.

There were two invoices from Pearson for the study material. The larger bill was for digital books and the smaller one was for the hard copy books. Chairman Jones made a Motion to approve the Pearson Education bill, invoice 14472446 for \$1,664.55 and Commissioner Jacobson seconded the Motion, followed by unanimous roll call vote to approve. Commissioner Jacobson made a Motion to pay \$671.65 for invoice number 14482897 for the hard copy books and it was seconded by Chairman Jones, followed by unanimous roll call vote to approve. Since Chairman Jones was attending remotely, she was not able to sign the invoices for payment. Attorney Kostantacos wanted to be sure we were in touch with Anne to get the invoices paid. Chairman Jones reported that Secretary Eggers had already been in contact with Anne to let her know the invoices would be left after the meeting without being signed, if they were approved.

Attorney Kostantacos will submit his bill at the next meeting.

Chairman Jones asked if the Beloit Daily News had submitted an invoice for an ad. No one had seen it yet.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Kostantacos was asked about hiring from the Lateral List and the Initial Eligibility List. He replied that the Lateral List supplements the Initial Eligibility List. The hiring goes from top to bottom on both and will zig-zag through the lists. A certified Officer could be hired before a

non-certified Officer. Chairman Jones clarified that a certified Officer can be hired before a non-certified Officer.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Acting Chairman Nytko moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. on Motion by Chairman Jones, second by Commissioner Jacobson, followed by unanimous vote.

Date: 7/7, 2021

Approved:



LeAnn Jones, Chairman