

Village of Roscoe  
**BOARD OF FIRE & POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

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10631 Main Street, Roscoe, Illinois 61073

**Commissioners**

LeAnn Jones, Chairman

Mark Nytko

David Jacobson

**Secretary to the Board**

Victoria Eggers

**Attorney**

Charles P. Kostantacos

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ROSCOE**

**BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

**HELD ON MARCH 15, 2023**

A Special Meeting of the Village of Roscoe Board of Fire and Police Commissioners convened pursuant to notice on March 15, 2023 in the Roscoe Village Hall. Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE**

Roll was called. Chairman Jones, Commissioner Nytko and Commissioner Jacobson were present. Police Chief Sam Hawley and Attorney Charles Kostantacos were also present. Due to other obligations, the Secretary to the Board, Ms. Victoria Eggers, arrived after the meeting began. By consent of the Commissioners, the order of business was modified to proceed immediately to lateral hire Candidate oral interviews.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS / CLOSED SESSION**

Commissioner Jacobson moved to adjourn the meeting to Closed Session at 5:01 p.m. pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act in order to conduct Candidate oral interviews. Commissioner Nytko seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioner Jacobson moved to reconvene the Open Meeting at 7:05 p.m. Commissioner Nytko seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous roll call vote. No action was taken in Closed Session.

The unfinished Business activity resumed. The Chairman announced that two of the lateral hire Candidates failed to achieve passing scores. The Secretary to the Board was directed to issue the appropriate notices of disqualification to the Candidates.

Discussion book place regarding lateral hire Candidate Greg Yalden. The Chairman announced that he had received a score of 90.26 on his Examination. Prior to departing the meeting, he had asserted a preference point claim and he submitted supporting documentation. Commissioner Nytko moved to award five (5) preference points to Candidate Yalden, Commissioner Jacobson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous roll call vote.

The Commissioners briefly reviewed the existing Patrol Officer Lateral Eligibility List. Commissioner Jacobson moved to adopt a merged Lateral Patrol Officer Eligibility List and Commissioner Nytko seconded the motion. After brief discussion, the motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

The Commissioners discussed the immediate staffing needs of the Police Department with input from Chief Hawley. In addition to proceeding with the current entry level Patrol Officer hiring process, the consensus opinion among the Commissioners was that hiring from the Lateral Eligibility List was necessary. Candidate Wolinski remained at the top of the List according to his score but Chief Hawley reported that the Candidate was not yet prepared to accept a conditional offer of employment if one was extended to him. Therefore, Commissioner Nytko moved to extend a conditional offer of full-time probationary employment to Candidate

Yalden subject to all applicable Rules and Regulations of the Roscoe Fire and Police Commission and the Roscoe Police Department. Commissioner Jacobson seconded the motion and it was adopted by unanimous roll call vote. Chairman Jones contacted Candidate Yalden immediately by telephone and he verbally accepted the conditional offer and agreed to proceed with the psychological evaluation required by Commission Rules.

The three entry level Patrol Officer Candidates were discussed next. Each had submitted claims for awards of preference points supported by appropriate copies of documentation. Commissioner Jacobson moved to award preference points to each of the three Candidates, Brian Freeman, Ania Podgorny and Wyatt Svedin. Commissioner Nytko seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote after brief discussion.

The existing entry level Patrol Officer Eligibility List was discussed and it was noted that one Candidate remained on the List and his name was to be stricken after June 16, 2023. The Police Department remained in need of additional Patrol Officers and the consensus opinion among the Commissioners was to adopt a merged entry level list incorporating the names of our new Candidates so that hiring could proceed. Commissioner Nytko moved to approve and adopt a merged entry level Patrol Officer Eligibility List containing the names and scores of the three Candidates referenced above. Commissioner Jacobson seconded the motion and it was approved, after discussion, by unanimous roll call vote.

#### MINUTES

The Commissioners reviewed and discussed the Minutes of the February 25, 2023 Special Meeting. Commissioner Jacobson moved to approve the Minutes as drafted and distributed. Commissioner Nytko seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The Commissioners next reviewed and discussed the Minutes of the March 1, 2023 Regular Meeting. Commissioner Nytko moved to approve the Minutes as drafted and distributed. Commissioner Jacobson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous roll call vote.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Secretary Eggers and Chairman Jones receipt of a letter from Candidate Freeman thanking the Commissioners for the opportunity to interview with the Commission. The Chairman directed that the correspondence be filed and retained as appropriate.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

#### NEW BUSINESS

None.

#### PAYMENT OF BILLS

Attorney Kostantacos presented an invoice for legal services and costs advanced for the month of February 2023 totaling \$893.29. Commissioner Jacobson moved to approve payment of the invoice, Commissioner Nytko seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous roll call vote.

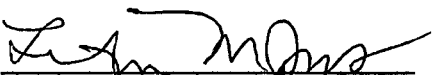
#### ATTORNEY REPORT

None.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Nytko moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. Commissioner Jacobson seconded the motion, followed by a unanimous vote in favor of adjournment.

Date: 4/5, 2023

Approved:   
LeAnn Jones, Chairman