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MEETING MINUTES FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION MEETING JUNE 3, 2013

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:07pm and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Responding present to roll call were Commission Chairperson Ruth I. Gudino-Negrete, Commissioner Brian Kuratko and Commissioner Thomas McCarthy III. Also present were Police Chief Padalik, Fire Chief Adams, Village Manager Matthys, Village Trustee Nick Steker and Management Assistant Molly Keane.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Kuratko made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McCarthy to approve the meeting minutes of March 4, 2013 and an identical motion and second to approve the meeting minutes of April 1, 2013. Both motions unanimously passed (AYE 3). Chairman reminded all present that there was no meeting in May, 2013.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chairperson Ruth I. Gudino-Negrete made a motion and seconded by Commissioner Kuratko, that the Candidate Documentation, Candidate File, and Candidate Correspondence be tabled. Motion passed unanimously. (AYE-3)

A discussion was held in regards to the vendor for the Candidate Polygraph Examination and Psychological Evaluation. A motion was made by Commissioner Chairperson Gudino-Negrete and seconded by Commissioner Kuratko to contract with I/O Solutions of Westchester for these services. The motion passed unanimously. (AYE-3)

OLD BUSINESS:

Police Chief Padalik provided a status update of probationary police officer Joseph Rizzo. Chief Padalik reported that Officer Rizzo was very close to completing his Field Training Officer period and hopefully will be a solo police officer in the very near future. Chief Padalik also related that she was very proud that Officer Rizzo was formerly the first police intern that the department has ever recruited.

Commissioner Chairperson Gudino-Negrete read letters that were sent to police candidates Brian Staatz and candidate Camille Dimitropoulos indicating that due to village budgetary constraints, there would be a hiring freeze on the two open patrolmen positions. Village Manager Matthys also confirmed that there was a hiring freeze based on the discussion and adoption of the budget at the Village of Westchester Board Meeting held on April 28, 2013.

Commissioner Chairperson Gudino-Negrete also reported that the Fire Department Captain Promotion Examination will be held in the next couple of months. I/O Solutions will conduct the written portion of the exam and the assessment center will be facilitated by the Illinois Fire Chiefs. Commissioner Gudino-Negrete also stated that I/O Solutions will conduct the written exam for the entry level firefighters and also handle the advertising and application process for the position.

Based on the prior discussion in regards to the budgetary concerns of the Village, no report or information was discussed on the Police Lieutenant Promotion Examination or the Police Sergeant Promotion Examination.

INFORMATION ONLY:

There will be a Meeting of the Fire and Police Commission on Monday July 29, 2013 instead of the currently scheduled meeting of August 5, 2013 due to summertime scheduling issues with some Commission members.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

There was a brief discussion between Trustee Nick Steker and Fire Chief Adams in regards to ensuring that the advertising for the fire department entry level testing should be placed in addition to allowing candidates enough time to study and prepare for any promotional exams that have been authorized by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no executive session.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Kuratko made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McCarthy to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:48pm.