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MEETING MINUTES FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION MEETING June 2, 2014

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm 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 Village Trustee Nick Steker, Fire Chief Jim Adams, Village Manager Janet Mathys, and Management Assistant Molly Keene.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Gudino-Negrete entertained a motion to table the approval of the meeting minutes for the March, April and May meetings. Motion by Commissioner McCarthy and second by Commissioner Kuratko to table the minutes Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was a short discussion on electing the positions of Commission Chairperson and Secretary. A motion was made by Commissioner McCarthy and seconded by Commissioner Kuratko to retain the current positions. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

A discussion was held in regards to the Fire and Police Commission Rules and Regulations update. It was agreed to review and suggest changes or corrections and send them to Commissioner Gudino-Negrete by the week of the 16th of June in anticipation of adopting the updated rules at the July 7, 2014 meeting.

The final registry list for the two candidates for Fire Department Captain was reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Kuratko and seconded by Commissioner McCarthy to accept and post the final eligibility list for Captain of the Westchester Fire Department. Motion passed unanimously. All Commissioners affixed their signatures to the final registry list.

The two entry-level firefighters, Nicholas Lezza and Matthew Heiderman, were sworn in by the Westchester Village Board on May 27, 2014. They are currently in their probationary period. Commissioner McCarthy reported on the status of the Fire Department Lieutenant examination. There are twelve eligible candidates to take the exam. They are attempting to tighten up the application process and the assessment portion will be scheduled and announced. Final language in the collective bargaining agreement as it pertains to promotions in the fire department is almost completed.

Commissioner Kuratko reported on the results of the Police Sergeant Examinations. Motion to accept and post the final eligibility registry list for Sergeant made by Commissioner Kuratko and seconded by Commissioner McCarthy. Motion passed unanimously. All Commissioners affixed their signatures to the final registry list.

Commissioner Kuratko reported that he has been in contact with I/O Solutions in regards to the entry level police officer examination. He stated that the current list expires in October of 2014 and the Board would have to announce the application process by July to allow enough time for test preparation. Location of exam must be determined by next meeting.

INFORMATION ONLY:

Next Meeting will be held on July 7, 2014 at 6:30pm.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

There was no public participation or comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Kuratko made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McCarthy to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.