



BOARD OF FIRE & POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Freeport Police Dept., 320 W. Exchange – Freeport Fire Dept. 1560 S. Walnut
Freeport, IL 61032

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

January 23, 2018

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was held Tuesday, January 23, 2018 and called to order at 5:30 PM by Chairman Borger in the Conference Room at the Freeport Central Fire Station. Roll Call: Chairman Borger, Commissioners Gridley and McIlwain were present. Also present: Police Chief Barkalow, Fire Chief Allen and Board Secretary Schwartz. Commissioners Cooper and Shroyer were absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on December 22, 2017 was made by Commissioner McIlwain and seconded by Commissioner Gridley. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners McIlwain and Gridley. YEAS: (3), NAYS: (0) A motion to approve the minutes from the special meeting held on January 2, 2018 was made by Commissioner McIlwain and seconded by Commissioner Gridley. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners McIlwain and Gridley. YEAS: (3), NAYS: (0)

CORRESPONDENCE/REVIEW BILLS –

- Chairman Borger read a letter received from Lt. Detective Schroeder declining participation in the Deputy Chief testing.
- Commissioner Gridley made a motion to pay the following bills for police officer and firefighter testing: Trotsky Polygraph Police Testing (Young, White) \$270; C.O.P.S. and F.I.R.E. Personnel Testing Service (FPD Young, White) \$900; PEI, Inc. – Purchase of 12 Additional Booklets \$195.35; PEI, Inc. – 36 PEP Evaluations for Firefighter Testing \$720; IO Solutions, Inc. – One (1) Police Deputy Chief Exam \$121; which was seconded by Commissioner McIlwain. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger, and Commissioners McIlwain and Gridley. YEAS: (3), NAYS: (0)

PENDING BUSINESS

Chief Barkalow advised two eligibility lists (initial appointment & lateral appointment) have been finalized. Candidates Rosenstein, White and Young reported to the academy on 9/21/18.

Chief Allen advised there is currently one firefighter vacancy. An update on the remaining candidates on the current firefighter list was provided to the board along with prospective candidates going forward. Sixteen applicants have made it through the initial screening process and will be moving on to interview.

At 5:50 PM a motion was made by Commissioner McIlwain to go into executive session to conduct Deputy Chief interviews and scoring, and to discuss firefighter candidate Feltmeyer's application issue, which was seconded by Commissioner Gridley. Motion prevailed by a roll call of Chairman Borger, and Commissioners Gridley and McIlwain. YEAS (3), NAYS (0)



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EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED SESSION)

The following was read into the record, "Executive Session is called pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2C(1). The appointment, employment, compensation discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity."

RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION (OPEN SESSION)

At 6:46 PM a motion was made by Commissioner McIlwain to return to open session, which was seconded by Commissioner Gridley. Motion prevailed by a roll call of Chairman Borger, and Commissioners Gridley and McIlwain. YEAS (3), NAYS (0)

FINAL ACTION REGARDING MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Gridley made a motion to make an exception for FF candidate Feltmeyer, who made every attempt to submit his application by the deadline and presented tracking information to validate, which was seconded by Commissioner McIlwain. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger, and Commissioners McIlwain and Gridley. YEAS: (3), NAYS: (0)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn at 6:48 PM was made by Commissioner McIlwain and seconded by Commissioner Gridley. Motion prevailed by roll call of: Chairman Borger, and Commissioners McIlwain and Gridley. Yeas: (3); Nays: (0)