



# BOARD OF FIRE & POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Freeport Police Dept., 320 W. Exchange – Freeport Fire Dept. 1650 S. Walnut  
Freeport, IL 61032

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

July 24, 2018

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was held Tuesday, July 24, 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 Shroyer, Gridley and Cooper were present. Commissioner McIlwain was absent. Also present: Police Chief Barkalow, Fire Deputy Chief Townsend and Board Secretary Schwartz.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on June 26, 2018, was made by Commissioner Shroyer and seconded by Commissioner Cooper. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners Shroyer, Gridley and Cooper. YEAS: (4), NAYS: (0)

## CORRESPONDENCE/REVIEW BILLS –

A motion to approve the bill from COPS & FIRE Psychological and Polygraph Testing for Schau, Birr and Zickau in the amount of \$1,830 was made by Commissioner Cooper and seconded by Commissioner Gridley. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners Shroyer, Gridley and Cooper. YEAS: (4), NAYS: (0)

## PENDING BUSINESS

Police Chief Barkalow provided an update on recruit Cusanelli who will be graduating from the academy on Thursday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Chief Barkalow also discussed Officer Brown's upcoming transfer to another department, including next steps on the eligibility list with candidate Abele.

Fire DC Townsend discussed the need to fill 2 firefighter vacancies and requested approval to move forward on the eligibility list contingent upon the hiring eligibility of Schau, Birr and Zickau. Commissioner Gridley made a motion to move forward on the firefighter eligibility list, which was seconded by Commissioner Cooper. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners Shroyer, Gridley and Cooper. YEAS: (4), NAYS: (0)

Fire DC Townsend requested approval of the Lieutenant testing timeline. Commissioner Gridley made a motion to accept the Lieutenant testing timeline as presented, which was seconded by Commissioner Cooper. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners Shroyer, Gridley and Cooper. YEAS: (4), NAYS: (0)

Fire DC Townsend requested approval to enter into contract with I/O Solutions, Inc. – Public Safety Personnel Testing, to conduct Firefighter Lieutenant's testing. Commissioner Gridley made a motion to move forward with I/O Solutions, Inc. for firefighter Lieutenant's testing, which was seconded by Commissioner Cooper. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners Shroyer, Gridley and Cooper. YEAS: (4), NAYS: (0)

At 5:44 PM Commissioner Shroyer made a motion to go into closed session to review polygraph and psychological results for firefighter candidates Zickau, Birr and Schau, which was seconded by Commissioner Gridley. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners Shroyer, Gridley and Cooper. YEAS: (4), 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 6:14 PM a motion was made by Commissioner Cooper to return to open session, which was seconded by Commissioner Shroyer. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners Shroyer, Gridley, and Cooper. YEAS: (4), NAYS: (0)

## FINAL ACTION REGARDING MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Cooper made a motion to discontinue the testing process for firefighter candidates Zickau and Schau, which was seconded by Commissioner Gridley. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners Shroyer, Gridley, and Cooper. YEAS: (4), NAYS: (0)

Commissioner Cooper made a motion to continue the testing process for firefighter candidate Birr, which was seconded by Commissioner Gridley. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners Shroyer, Gridley, and Cooper. YEAS: (4), NAYS: (0)

Commissioner Gridley made a motion to move forward on the eligibility list for polygraph and psychological testing for the next 2 candidates (Kennedy and Kunert), which was seconded by Commissioner Cooper. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners Shroyer, Gridley, and Cooper. YEAS: (4), NAYS: (0)

## ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn at 6:16 PM was made by Commissioner Shroyer and seconded by Commissioner Cooper. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners Shroyer, Gridley, and Cooper. YEAS: (4), NAYS: (0)