



# BOARD OF FIRE & POLICE COMMISSIONERS

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

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

April 24, 2018

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was held Tuesday, April 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 Gridley, McIlwain, Cooper and Shroyer were present. Also present: Police Chief Barkalow, Fire Chief Allen and Board Secretary Schwartz.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on March 27, 2018 was made by Commissioner Gridley and seconded by Commissioner McIlwain. The motion prevailed by roll call of Chairman Borger and Commissioners McIlwain, Gridley, Cooper and Shroyer. YEAS: (5), NAYS: (0)

## CORRESPONDENCE/REVIEW BILLS –

None

## PENDING BUSINESS

Police Chief Barkalow provided a staffing update on academy and field training recruits. Police Sergeant and Corporal promotional testing timelines and dates were agreed upon.

Fire Chief Allen shared the 2018 firefighter eligibility roster and provided a staffing update on retirees along with hiring and promotional plans moving forward. A motion to approve the 2018 firefighter eligibility list was made by Commissioner Shroyer and seconded by Commissioner Gridley. Motion prevailed by a roll call of Chairman Borger, and Commissioners Gridley, McIlwain, Cooper and Shroyer. YEAS (5), NAYS (0)

Corrected terms were presented to the Commissioners. A motion to approve the corrected terms was made by Commissioner Cooper and seconded by Commissioner McIlwain. Motion prevailed by a roll call of Chairman Borger, and Commissioners Gridley, McIlwain, Cooper and Shroyer. YEAS (5), NAYS (0)

At 5:56 PM a motion was made by Commissioner McIlwain to go into executive session to discuss details of the fire department restructure, which was seconded by Commissioner Cooper. Motion prevailed by a roll call of Chairman Borger, and Commissioners Gridley, McIlwain, Cooper and Shroyer. YEAS (5), NAYS (0)

## 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)



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At 6:07 PM a motion was made by Commissioner McIlwain to return to open session, which was seconded by Commissioner Cooper. Motion prevailed by a roll call of Chairman Borger, and Commissioners Gridley, McIlwain, Cooper and Shroyer. YEAS (5), NAYS (0)

## FINAL ACTION REGARDING MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Cooper made a motion to approve the following promotions: Tom Winkowski to rank of Lieutenant and Jack Heitz to rank of Lieutenant, which was seconded by Commissioner McIlwain. Motion prevailed by a roll call of Chairman Borger, and Commissioners Gridley, McIlwain, Cooper and Shroyer. YEAS (5), NAYS (0)

## ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn at 6:09 PM was made by Commissioner Cooper and seconded by Commissioner Shroyer. Motion prevailed by a roll call of Chairman Borger, and Commissioners Gridley, McIlwain, Cooper and Shroyer. YEAS (5), NAYS (0)