

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE FRANKFORT BOARD OF THE FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Thursday, January 9, 2020

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The regular meeting of the Frankfort Police Commission was called to order at 8:05 a.m. on January 9, 2020, at the Frankfort Village Hall 432 W. Nebraska St. Frankfort, IL 60423.

Roll Call was taken by Chairman Kelley and Commissioner Sunderland was present (Commissioner Fanizzo was out of town and not in attendance). A quorum was present to conduct business. Police Chief John Burica and Deputy Chief Dowding represented the Police Department.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of August 14, 2019 were presented to the board for review, action and approval. Motion to accept was placed by Chairman Kelley, seconded by Commissioner Sunderland and passed by unanimous consent.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The input for the 2019 annual report was discussed. The large number of new hires, the rapidity of depleting the new candidate list, the frequency of power test failures at the Academy for conditionally hired officers were all mentioned.

CHIEF'S REPORT

There is one pending disciplinary action for a squad car vehicle accident.

One probationary officer nearing completion has decided to terminate his work in Frankfort and transfer to another police agency. This leaves one patrol officer vacancy.

There are only 8 candidates left on the new hire list and these are now undergoing background check.

NEW BUSINESS

There was one new candidate who was prepared for Board review, however, he withdrew his name at the last moment after accepting other employment.

In addressing the issue of Power Test failures, the Board discussed several options and approved adding a requirement for obtaining a valid Power Card prior to being presented a Conditional Offer of Employment. It was felt that this would be the optimal time as it would not discourage candidates from applying and would be valid at the Academy, preventing elimination for this requirement.

Due to the low number of individuals left on the New Hire Candidate List, it was determined that the Board will conduct another testing process to develop a fresh New Eligibility List. The Board will solicit bids from testing companies with a goal of having the initial test in the March time frame.

The Sergeant's Promotion List expires July 30, 2020. We will aim to have the new promotion testing process begin in July. Since there will be 2 testing cycles (new hire and promotion), we will see if any testing companies will give discounted services for purchasing multiple tests.

OLD BUSINESS

There are currently 2 officers in field training and 1 at the Academy. All are progressing well.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

NEW MEETING DATE

A new meeting will be scheduled after the testing bids have been received.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Kelley, seconded by Sunderland. Adjourned at 9:45 a.m.