

TRI-STATE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

Held Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.
10S110 Madison Street, Burr Ridge, IL

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

a. Roll Call - The meeting was called to order at 1830 hours by Commissioner Salvatore Molinaro. Roll Call: Commissioner Christopher Sandilands, Commissioner Cheryl Hansen. Also Present: Recording Secretary Jacqueline Timmons.

b. The Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

a. Regular Meeting Minutes of July 10, 2017. A motion was made by Commissioner Molinaro, second by Commissioner Sandilands to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2017, Regular Meeting. Voice Vote: Aye, 3; No, 0. Motion passed, 3-0.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Correspondence – The newsletter was received from the Northern Illinois Alliance of Fire Protection Districts.

b. Invoices & bills – An invoice was received from Jacqueline Timmons, Recording Secretary, in the amount of \$25 for the July 10, 2017 Regular Meeting and preparation of the minutes. A motion was made by Commissioner Molinaro to approve the invoice and submit for payment, second by Commissioner Sandilands. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Molinaro, aye; Commissioner Sandilands, aye; Commissioner Hansen, aye. Motion passed, 3-0.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

a. New firefighter testing process – The day began at 6:30 a.m., registration started at 07:30. The orientation began in the Little Theatre at 08:00. There were 77 candidates that showed up of the 86 applicants. Chief Niemeyer made a presentation on the history of the Department and Kevin Kramer made a presentation for the Union. Trustee Wolski was there, as well as Commissioners Hansen and Sandilands. The acoustics were very good. Then the testing was started in the cafeteria at 08:30. Some of the candidates relayed that the test was difficult. There were 45 candidates that passed, the high score was 93 and the low was 42; 70 and above was passing. There will only be three nights needed for the oral interviews.

Some candidates said the test was hard. Other candidates felt it narrowed the field. The Union was grateful for the opportunity to speak. The first interviews will be on Tuesday, August 14th. The Commissioners need to be there at 4:00 p.m. and the first interview will start at 4:30 p.m. There are three groups of five. The scores from the interviews will be compiled and sent to IO Solutions and they will send out an e-mail with a claim form for their Preference Points. Commissioner Hansen created a timeline chart. Friday, September 1st, will be the deadline for the Preference Points. Hopefully Friday, September 8th the Final Eligibility List will be posted. The profiles of the candidates that passed will be sent in hard copy and via

- e-mail to Commissioner Hansen. One candidate who was given August 14th for his oral interview contacted Ms. Terri Radek at the District to see if he can switch the date. Candidates were told at the orientation that there would be no changes to their scheduled date. Commissioner Hansen will let the candidate know that the date remains as scheduled. Five questions will be chosen for the oral interviews.
- b. Lieutenant promotional exam – Commissioner Molinaro spoke to the Board’s attorney. It is not necessary to go out for competitive bid for the testing companies. The Commissioners and the candidates who took the last promotional exam were happy with the testing company. Commissioner Sandilands made a motion to hire Resource Management to run the next Lieutenant’s Promotional Exam, second by Commissioner Hansen. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Molinaro, abstain; Commissioner Sandilands, aye; Commissioner Hansen, aye. Motion passed, 2 ayes; one abstain. Resource Management of Tinley Park will be contacted by Commissioner Hansen to run the next Promotional Exam. The Commissioners will recommend to Chief Niemeyer that new books be used so there is not an unfair advantage for those who have already taken it.
- V. NEW BUSINESS - Commissioner Hansen wished the Board a happy anniversary. August 9 2016, was their first meeting. Commissioner Hansen created the highlights of activity for the last year to give to Chief Niemeyer. August 22nd is the next Trustees meeting. Commissioner Hansen is having a total knee replacement on September 1st and may need to appear via telephone. The next meeting is Monday, September 11th.
- VI. CLOSED SESSION (If necessary) - No Closed Session.
- VII. OPEN FORUM – AUDIENCE - None.
- VIII. BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – Commissioner Molinaro wanted to note that he appreciated the Tri-State Fire Protection District members that attended his father’s funeral. He said they treated his father with exceptional care on the numerous occasions they were called to his house and he wanted to say thank you and also for the nice flower arrangement that was sent for the funeral. It was appreciated by him and his family.
- IX. ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Commissioner Sandilands to adjourn, second by Commissioner Hansen. Voice Vote: Aye, 3; No, 0. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 1854 hours.

Respectfully Submitted.

Cheryl Hansen, Secretary