

TRI-STATE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING
Held Tuesday, March 12, 2019 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 1828 hours by Commissioner Cheryl Hansen. Roll Call: Commissioner Michael Mensinger, Commissioner William Thomas. Also Present: Fire Chief Sam Molinaro.

- b. The Pledge of Allegiance – The Colors were presented by Tri-State Local 3165 Honor Guard. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Commissioner Hansen made a motion to bring forward Item V, the swearing in of Firefighter Michael Veselka, second by Commissioner Mensinger. Voice Vote: Aye, 3; No, 0. Motion passed, 3-0. Firefighter Michael Veselka was sworn in. Commissioner Hansen made a motion to suspend the meeting to allow time for photos, cake and refreshments, second by Commissioner Mensinger. Voice Vote: Aye, 3; No, 0. Motion passed. The meeting was suspended at 1833 hours and resumed at 1858 hours.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting minutes of Monday, February 11, 2019. A motion was made by Commissioner Thomas, second by Commissioner Mensinger to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2019, Regular Meeting as presented. Voice Vote: Aye, 3; No, 0. Motion passed, 3-0.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Correspondence – No correspondence.

- b. Invoices & bills – An invoice was received from Attorney John B. Murphey, Rosenthal, Murphey, Coblenz & Donahue in the amount of \$1,461.50 for legal services on the revision of the Tri-State Commissioner Rules. A motion was made by Commissioner Mensinger to approve the invoice and submit for payment, second by Commissioner Thomas. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Mensinger, aye; Commissioner Thomas, aye; Commissioner Hansen, aye. Motion passed, 3-0. An invoice was received from Attorney John B. Murphey, Rosenthal, Murphey, Coblenz & Donahue in the amount of \$691.96, which is the balance remaining for the work on the revision of the Tri-State Commissioner Rules. A motion was made by Commissioner Mensinger, second by Commissioner Thomas to approve the invoice and submit for payment. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Mensinger, aye; Commissioner Thomas, aye; Commissioner Hansen, aye. Motion passed, 3-0. An invoice was received from Jacqueline M. Timmons, Recording Secretary, in the amount of \$22.50 for transcribing the Regular meeting minutes for the February 11, 2019, meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Thomas, second by Commissioner Mensinger to approve the invoice and submit for payment. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Mensinger, aye; Commissioner Thomas, aye; Commissioner Hansen, aye. Motion passed, 3-0.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Revision of Tri-State Commissioner rules – the Rules and Regs were printed in the Tribune effective March 1, 2019.

- b. New firefighter hires for March 2019 – Chief Molinaro hired the four candidates that were approved by the Commissioners at the last meeting on 2-19-19: No. 22, Bradley Christensen; No. 29, Thomas Touhy; No. 31, Matthew Las; and No. 33, Daniel Smith. They will go on shift on March 19th. That completes the original nine hires. Six more will be hired and the hiring process for those six will begin soon.
- c. Hiring process for 2019 Eligibility List – No. 32, Blake Talip has taken a position elsewhere so he has declined to move forward in the process for the second time. No. 34, Scott Loerop will turn 35 years old on April 30th, so he will be disqualified because he will not meet the qualifications by the time the hiring process begins. No. 37, Michael Lheureux was hired by Oak Park so he declined to move forward in the process. No. 35, Johnny Connors accepted to move forward in the process. He is a paramedic but does not have Basic Firefighter so he will need to attend the Academy for 10 weeks. So once testing is completed, there may be five hires immediately off that list. Commissioner Hansen said there are currently 35 eligibility candidates/applications as of last Friday. Applications will close March 22nd at 3:00 p.m. The application fee is \$35.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Swearing in of Firefighter Michael Veselka – Firefighter Michael Veselka was sworn in at the beginning of the meeting before the rest of the business.

VI. CLOSED SESSION (If necessary) – No closed session.

(5 ILCS 120/2) (Sec. 2 – (c), (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 to determine its validity, as well as minutes, previous session.

VII. OPEN FORUM – AUDIENCE – No audience.

VIII. BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – Statements of Economic Interest were submitted by the Commissioners. April 9, 2019, is the next meeting. The following firefighters still need to be sworn in: Matt Gallagher, Stephen Nolan, Joseph Hicks, Steven Paver, Timothy Mayotte, Jacob Lopez, Jacob Jandt, Bradley Christensen, Thomas Touhy, Matthew Las and Daniel Smith. The Commissioners will swear them in with probationary badges and the Trustees will give them their one-year badge when they pass their probation.

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Commissioner Thomas, second by Commissioner Mensinger to adjourn. Voice Vote: Aye, 3; No, 0. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 1926 hours.

Respectfully Submitted.

Michael Mensinger, Secretary