Board of Fire and Police Commission Regular Minutes
109 E. Olive Street, Bloomington, IL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TUESDAY, October 2, 2018 at 4:00 PM

I. Call to Order

Acting Chairman Michael Rudicil called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call of Attendance

Acting Chairman Rudicil called the roll:

Commissioners Present: Ellen Schroeder-Concklin, Michael Rudicil, and Nicole Brown

Commissioners Absent: Dean Messinger

Staff Present: Michael Hurt & Lindsey Denny (HR), George Boyle, Assistant Corporation Counsel (Legal), Chief Wheeler (Police) and Deputy Chief Eric Vaughn (Fire)

IV. Public Comment

None.

V. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, seconded by Commissioner Brown, to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting for September 4, 2018.

Ayes: Commissioners Schroeder-Concklin, Brown and Rudicil.
Nays: None.
Motion Carried.

VI. Executive Session

Motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, to go into executive session to discuss personnel and to review and approve executive session meeting minutes from September 4, 2018. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).

Ayes: Commissioners Schroeder-Concklin, Brown and Rudicil.
Nays: None.
Motion Carried.

Turn

The Board went into Executive Session at 4:03 p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 4: 22 p.m. Motion to re-enter open session was taken after the board returned.

Motion by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, seconded by Commissioner Brown to return to the open session.

Ayes: Commissioners Schroeder-Concklin, Brown and Rudicil.
Nays: None.
Motion Carried.

VII. Human Resources

None.

VIII. Fire Liaison Discussion

a. Deputy Chief Vaughn asked the Commission to approve conditional job offer for candidate 18005.

   Motion made by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin to approve conditional job offer for candidate 18005; seconded by Commissioner Brown.

   Ayes: None.
   Nays: Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, Brown, and Rudicil.
   Motion Denied.

b. Consideration and approval of conditional job offer for candidates 18030, 18025, 18021, 18031, 18028, 18026, and 18035.

   Motion made by Commissioner Brown to consider and approve conditional job offers for candidates 18030, 18025, 18021, 18031, 18028, 18026, and 18035; seconded by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin.

   Ayes: Commissioners Schroeder-Concklin, Brown, and Rudicil.
   Nays: None.
   Motion Carried.

c. Deputy Chief Vaughn asked the Commission to remove from consideration candidate 18023.

   Motion made by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin to remove from consideration candidate 18023; seconded by Commissioner Brown.

   Ayes: Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, Rudicil, and Brown.
   Nays: None.
   Motion Carried.

d. Deputy Chief Vaughn informed the commission that conditional job offers will be provided and if all contingencies are met, then the Bloomington Fire Department will ask the commission to approve final job offers on November 6th. The expected hire date is November 26th and candidates will attend academy on January 14th at NIPSTA.

Turn

IX. Police Liaison Discussion

a. Chief Wheeler updated the commission on Bloomington Police Department hiring. Two candidates have started the academy on October 1st. Lt. Grey has recently retired and Dan Donath was promoted from Sergeant to Assistant Chief for the Office of Professional Standards. This leaves the BPD with another Sergeant opening due to the progression in rank. BPD may have more promotions around October 19th. Currently, BPD is staffed at 124 officers, with no pending hires until the start of new testing or unless there is a new lateral applicant for consideration. Chief Wheeler explained that recruitment has begun and why BPD will not be utilizing the services of the National Testing Network for this hiring season. BPD currently has 55 applicants, written testing will be conducted in November and January, and oral interviews will be held in February. BPD is planning to have 4 or more candidates participate in the April academy.

   Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin asked Chief Wheeler about plans to change vendors for psychological testing. Chief Wheeler stated that BPD is looking into making a change. Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin then asked if Commissioners had been involved in the interviewing process for Sergeants previously. Chief Wheeler informed the commission that the board had been involved in oral interviewing for Sergeants previously.

X. Next Scheduled Meeting Date: November 6, 2018.

XI. Old Business/ New Business

Mr. Hurt informed the commission that we received the resignation of Commissioner Brown and that this will be her last meeting. Mr. Hurt thanked Commissioner Brown for her service. Mr. Hurt made the Commission aware that the Mayor has knowledge of the current BFPC vacancies and is working to fill the commission vacancies.

XII. Adjournment – 5:04 PM

Motion by Commissioner Brown; seconded by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin to adjourn.
Ayes: Schroeder-Concklin, Brown and Rudicil.
Nays: None.
Motion Carried.