



**Board of Fire and Police Commission Regular Minutes
109 E. Olive Street, Bloomington, IL
Council Chambers**

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2017 at 4:00 P.M.

I. Call to Order

- a. Commissioner Messinger called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call of Attendance

- a. Commissioner Messinger called the roll:
- b. Commissioners: Michael Rudicil, Ellen Schroeder-Concklin, Dean Messinger, Nicole Brown and Tom Whalen
- c. Staff Present: Daniel Esquivel (HR), George Boyle (Legal), Clay Wheeler (Assistant Chief / Police), Carl Reeb (Training Officer / Fire)

IV. Public Comment

V. Approval of Minutes:

- a. Consideration of approving the Special Minutes of the Board of Fire and Police Commission meeting of Tuesday, February 21, 2017

Motion by Commissioner Rudicil, seconded by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, to approve the Special Minutes of the Board of Fire and Police Commission meeting of Tuesday, February 21, 2017.

Ayes: Commissioners Rudicil, Schroeder-Concklin, Whalen, Brown, and Messinger.

Nays: None.

Motion carried

- b. Regular Minutes on Tuesday, May 2, 2017

Motion by Commissioner Rudicil, seconded by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, to approve the Regular Minutes of the Board of Fire and Police Commission meeting of Tuesday, May 2, 2017.

Ayes: Commissioners Rudicil, Schroeder-Concklin, Brown, Whalen, and Messinger.

Nays: None.

Motion carried

c. Special Minutes on Tuesday, May 23, 2017

Motion by Commissioner Rudicil, seconded by Commissioner Brown, to approve the Special Minutes of the Board of Fire and Police Commission meeting of Tuesday, May 23, 2017.

Ayes: Commissioners Rudicil, Schroeder-Concklin, Brown, Whalen, and Messinger.

Nays: None.

Motion carried

VI. Executive Session – Personnel – 5 ILCS120/2(c)(1)

Motion by Commissioner Whalen, seconded by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, to enter into executive session for Personnel – 5 ILCS120/2(c)(1).

Ayes: Commissioners Rudicil, Schroeder-Concklin, Brown, Whalen, and Messinger.

Nays: None.

Motion carried

Motion by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, second by Commissioner Brown to Return to the Open Session Meeting 4:55pm.

Ayes: Commissioners Whalen, Schroeder-Concklin, Rudicil, Brown, and Messinger.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

VII. Human Resource Liaison Discussion

a. Discuss schedule for interviews

Daniel Esquivel discussed challenges with the online testing and administration of the Firefighter testing. Human Resources will be administering the test in Bloomington, Chicago and Springfield from August 7, 2017 and August 16, 2017. Interviews will take place after the preliminary eligibility list on August 28, 2017 and August 29, 2017 and Commissioners will take shifts in four hour blocks in the morning and afternoon.

b. Special Meeting scheduled

Daniel Esquivel discussed August 22, 2017 at 4:00pm as the date and time for a Special Meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to establish a Firefighter preliminary eligibility test after the testing has been completed on August 16, 2017.

VIII. Fire Liaison Discussion

a. Update on hiring

Training Officer, Carl Reeb, discussed that Daniel Esquivel covered just about everything. Discussed largest group hired at once as being six. Commissioner Messinger asked if the Fire Department ever hires experienced Firefighters. Mr. Reeb replied that when an experienced firefighter transfers over they are starting over in a new department. Also highlighted that the pension is portable but would be starting from the bottom after transferring.

IX. Police Liaison Discussion

a. Consideration and approval of Conditional Job Offer for 17180

Motion by Commissioner Whalen, seconded by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, to approve the conditional job offer for candidate 17180.

Ayes: Commissioners Rudicil, Schroeder-Concklin, Brown, Whalen, and Messinger.

Nays: None.

Motion carried

b. Consideration and approval of Conditional Job Offer for 17174

Motion by Commissioner Whalen, seconded by Commissioner Rudicil, to approve the conditional job offer for candidate 17174.

Ayes: Commissioners Rudicil, Schroeder-Concklin, Brown, Whalen, and Messinger.

Nays: None.

Motion carried

c. Consideration and approval of Conditional Job Offer for 17202

Motion by Commissioner Whalen, seconded by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, to approve the conditional job offer for candidate 17202.

Ayes: Commissioners Rudicil, Schroeder-Concklin, Brown, Whalen, and Messinger.

Nays: None.

Motion carried

d. Consideration and approval of Conditional Job Offer for 17204

Motion by Commissioner Whalen, seconded by Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, to approve the conditional job offer for candidate 17204.

Ayes: Commissioners Rudicil, Schroeder-Concklin, Brown, Whalen, and Messinger.

Nays: None.

Motion carried

e. Consideration and approval of proposed changes to the Board of Fire and Police's

Rules regarding the promotional exam for Sergeants.

Greg Scott, Assistant Chief of Police, presented the new proposed changes to the board which almost mirrors exactly what the Lieutenant promotional process is. Assistant Chief Scott mentioned it is a cleaner and simpler method. The changes are being proposed to reduce the confusion the last process had in administering the points.

Motion by Commissioner Whalen, **seconded by** Commissioner Brown, to approve the proposed changes to the Board of Fire and Police's Rules regarding the promotional exam for Sergeants.

Ayes: Commissioners Rudicil, Schroeder-Concklin, Brown, Whalen, and Messinger.

Nays: None.

Motion carried

X. Future Discussion Items

XI. Next Scheduled Meeting Date: September 5, 2017

XII. Old Business / New Business

Open Meetings Act and Freedom Of Information Act Presentation

George Boyle, Assistant Corporation Counsel, presented on the Open Meetings Act and the Freedom Of Information Act to provide some training for the Commissioners that is being given to all Bloomington Boards and Commissions. Mr. Boyle explained that when a majority of a quorum is gathered they are not able to discuss public business and clarified that three members constituted a quorum by a rule of five. Mr. Boyle stated that the Freedom Of Information Act covers all material that a public body is in possession of regardless of whether the body produced it or just came into possession of the material. Mr. Boyle reiterated that the assumption should be that a document that is produced with regard to public business is subject to disclosure out of the Freedom of Information Act.

XIII. Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Rudicil, **seconded by** Commissioner Schroeder-Concklin, to adjourn.

Ayes: Commissioners Rudicil, Schroeder-Concklin, Brown, Whalen, and Messinger.

Nays: None.

Motion carried