

**VILLAGE OF WESTERN SPRINGS
BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
July 10, 2020**

Present: Chair Marcia Buell; Commissioner Janet Dahl; Commissioner James Maragos; Brian Budds, Director of Law Enforcement Services; Ingrid Velkme, Village Manager; Susan Depner, Law Enforcement Services

Absent: Patrick Kenny, Director of Fire and EMS; Ellen Baer, Director of Administrative Services; Michael Jurusik, Village Attorney

Agenda Items:

1. Call to Order

Chair Buell called the meeting to order at 6:55 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Chair Marcia Buell, Commissioner Janet Dahl, and Commissioner James Maragos were present. Also present were Brian Budds, Chief of Police, Ingrid Velkme, Village Manager, and Susan Depner, Police Department Administrative Services Coordinator.

3. Approval of Minutes – March 9, 2020

MOTION: Commissioner Dahl made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2020 meeting. Chair Buell seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion was approved by voice vote.

4. Public Comment

None.

5. Notice of Sergeant Retirement

Chief Budds announced the retirement of Sergeant John Piest, effective July 9, 2020. Chief Budds spoke of Sergeant Piest's contributions to the police department, the party held in his honor July 9, and noted that Sergeant Piest was recognized by the Village Board at their June 22 meeting. Chief Budds stated that a succession plan is in place.

6. Closed Session: 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(1): Discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body

MOTION: Commissioner Maragos made a motion to move into closed session. Chair Buell seconded the motion to recess to closed session. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote and the meeting was recessed at 7:05 a.m. to closed session for discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of

specific employees of the public body.

MOTION: Commissioner Maragos made a motion to adjourn the closed session. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion to adjourn the closed session. The motion passed by a unanimous vote and the closed session was adjourned at 7:11 a.m.

7. Motion to approve the promotion of candidate from current eligibility list to the classified rank of Sergeant to fill current Sergeant's vacancy

MOTION: Commissioner Dahl made a motion to approve the promotion of OIC Tony Jemison to the position of Sergeant. Commissioner Maragos seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

8. Other Business

Chief Budds reported that Probationary Officer Aaron Riley will be included in the next class of the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA) that will begin in late July. The class had been postponed in March due to COVID-19.

Chief Budds reported on entry level testing for the new police officer eligibility list. 37 candidates were eligible for the written test. 22 candidates took the written test and 14 passed the written test. Of the 14, one has taken other employment, so there are 13 candidates who will participate in the oral interview process. Discussion followed on specifics of questions that will be asked during the oral interviews.

Chief Budds reported on the process for the new sergeant eligibility list. The current list expires December 17, 2020. The Chief anticipates that up to 10 officers may test for the list and that testing will be in November or December.

The Commission also discussed logistics of setting up for the oral interviews in light of social distancing requirements.

9. Adjournment

MOTION: Commissioner Dahl made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Maragos seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan Depner
Administrative Services Coordinator