



FRANKFORT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Special Meeting Minutes
Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire Station One
333 West Nebraska Street
Frankfort, IL 60423

11:00 a.m. Friday, March 17, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Donna Vegter
Carol Ekdahl
Kelly Hayden

Also Present: Chief Robert Wilson

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Regular Meeting, January 13, 2017

- A **motion** was made by Commissioner Carol Ekdahl and seconded by Kelly Hayden to:
“Approve the Meeting Minutes as presented.”
VOICE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED

V. CHIEF'S REPORT

- Chief Wilson advised the Commissioners that Lt. Jeff Otte voluntarily stepped down to Firefighter. He is currently off on Workmen’s Compensation.
- Arbitration on the grievance has been postponed until May. They are working on an equitable agreement with the Union.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Grievance update

- Arbitration has been postponed to May 6, 2017.
 - With Jeff Otte stepping down from Lieutenant to Firefighter, Engineer John Murdie (#1 on promotions list) can be promoted to Lieutenant.
 - Chief Wilson would like to promote Lt. Paul Kinsella to Assistant Chief and therefore Engineer Brian Adcock (#2 on Lieutenant Promotion list) can be promoted. This would then eliminate the grievance.
 - Chief Wilson will be requesting formal approval from Board of Trustees at their meeting, Tuesday, March 21, 2017

Assistant Chief Sean Fierce arrived to the meeting at 11:15

2. New Hire Process

- Chief Wilson and AC Fierce have filed for the Safer Grant.
 - If received they would like to hire 6 new full-time firefighter/paramedics with the Board of Trustees approval.
 - Assistant Chief Fierce will be attending the Lincoln Way Chiefs meeting on April 3rd. Consistent wording for the hiring process is among the topics to be discussed.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Promotions

- Due to the Lieutenants promotions, Chief Wilson will also be asking the BOT to promote:
 - To Engineer William Kramer and Tom Warszalek
 - Assistant Chief Sean Fierce to Deputy Chief

2. Resignation of Commissioner Carol Ekdahl effective March 31, 2017

- Commissioner Carol Ekdahl served on the Board of Fire Commissioners since 2003 when the board was first formed by the Trustees. Throughout the years Carol has rotated as both Chairperson and Secretary.
 - Carol expressed her appreciation for the District, Trustees, Administration and fellow Commissioners.
 - She feels the Commission has come a long way and is proud of what has been accomplished over the last 14 years.
 - The Board of Fire Commissioners hiring and promotion process has acquired exceptional men and women in the fire service.
 - Carol will be truly missed. Best of luck on her move to Arizona to be closer to her family.

VI. CLOSED SESSION - None

IX. ADJOURNMENT

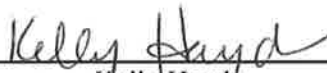
- A **motion** was made at 12:00 p.m. by Commissioner Carol Ekdahl, seconded by Commissioner Kelly Hayden to:
“Adjourn the Meeting.”

The Chairman directed the secretary to call the roll for the vote. Upon the roll being called the following commissioners voted:

AYE: Carol Ekdahl, Kelly Hayden and Donna Vegter
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

The chairman declared the motion carried.

Bonnie Merritt, Recording Secretary



Pro-tem Secretary, Kelly Hayden
Due to the resignation of Carol Ekdahl