
MINUTES

BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, April 14, 2020

COMMISSIONERS:

Present: Laura Ford, Chairperson
Jeff Nelson
Tilford Flowers

STAFF:

Present: Darren Gault, Police Chief
Jeff Snyder, Fire Chief
Alison Fleming, HR Manager
Summer O'Leary, Police Executive Coordinator

- 1. Meeting Called to Order**
Chairperson Ford called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.
- 2. Roll Call of Members**
Roll call was taken with all present.
- 3. Approval of Minutes**
Commissioner Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2020, regular meeting as drafted; Commissioner Flowers seconded; motion unanimously carried.
- 4. Fire Retirement**
Chief Snyder advised the Board that Lieutenant Chris Comeaux submitted a letter of intent to retire effective April 20, 2020. Lieutenant Comeaux provided 29 years and 10 months of service to the City of Moline. Commissioner Flowers made a motion to consider and accept the retirement; Commissioner Nelson seconded; motion unanimously carried.
- 5. Fire Promotion**
Chief Snyder requested the Board approve the promotion of Fire Engineer Marco Leone effective April 20, 2020; to fill the vacancy created by the aforementioned retirement of Lieutenant Chris Comeaux. Marco Leone is the top candidate on the certified Fire Lieutenant Eligibility Register and is a suitable candidate. Following a brief discussion, Commissioner Nelson made a motion to approve the promotion subject to City Council confirmation and approval with pending moratorium on promotion and hiring; Chairperson Ford seconded; motion unanimously carried.
- 6. Fire Vacancy**
Chief Snyder requested authorization to hire one new Firefighter in accordance with the established rules of the Fire and Police Commission from the existing firefighter/paramedic eligibility register to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Lieutenant Chris Comeaux. Commissioner Flowers made a motion to authorize the hire of the top candidate from the current firefighter/paramedic eligibility register in accordance with the pending City Council moratorium on promotion and hiring; Commissioner Nelson seconded; motion unanimously carried.

7. **Public Comment**

- Chief Gault inquired about the rescheduling process for Police Officer testing as the current eligibility register expires in May. Following a brief discussion, Chief Gault and Alison Fleming will discuss further and report back to the Board.
- Chief Snyder advised the Board that due to the current circumstances related to COVID19, the recognition of Bob Schwieder has been postponed. The Board agreed to permit Chief Snyder to reschedule this recognition when in-person meetings resume.

8. **Executive Session**


None.

9. **Action from Executive Session**

N/A

10. **Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Flowers made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Nelson seconded; meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.



Summer O'Leary, Recording Secretary
Board of Fire & Police Commissioners