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MEETING MINUTES FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION MEETING February 1, 2023

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Responding present to roll call were Commission Chair McCarthy, Commissioner Pedersen and Commissioner O'Shea.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Pedersen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McCarthy, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 4, 2023, and the Special Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2023. The motion passed and the minutes were approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

The only item of new business to discuss was the approval of the 2023 meeting schedule. Commissioner McCarthy made a motion, followed by Commissioner O'Shea to approve the meeting schedule for 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

The first item of old business to discuss was Entry Level Police Testing. Commissioner McCarthy presented the Final Eligibility List for Police Officer and read all names and scores on the list. Commissioner Pedersen then made a motion to approve the list which was seconded by Commissioner O'Shea. The motion passed and the Final List for Police Officer was approved. The top 4 names will be submitted for background and polygraphs to fill the current vacancy in the police department.

Next Entry Level Firefighter Testing was discussed. Commissioner McCarthy explained that the test will be held at the Community Church and doors will open at 8am on Saturday, February 4th.

The last item of old business was the signing of the certificate of appointment for a fire candidate.

Unfortunately, this candidate has removed himself from further advancement with the Village of Westchester to take a position elsewhere.

The discussion then moved onto possible resolutions to the hiring issues the Commission is experiencing in the fire department. Commissioner McCarthy will reach out to IO Solutions for suggestions on improving the written test as well as reach out to the Village President to discuss Lateral Transfer in the Fire Department. And his thoughts on the topic.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

INFORMATION ONLY:

Next Meeting: March 1, 2023

Fire: Entry Level Firefighter List (Expires June 23, 2024)

Fire: Captain Promotional List (Expired January 3, 2021- EXHAUSTED)

Fire: Lieutenant Promotional List (Expires August 24, 2025)

Police: Entry Level Police Officer Expires February 1, 2025)

Police: Sergeant Promotional List: (Expires January 6, 2024)

Commission Terms: James O'Shea (Expires May 2024) Thomas McCarthy (Expires April 30, 2023) James Pedersen (Expires April 30, 2023)