

Village of Westchester

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AGENDA FIRE and POLICE COMMISSION MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2014 VILLAGE HALL BOARD ROOM – 6:30PM

Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

Commission Chair Ruth Gudino-Negrete

Commission Secretary Brian Kuratko

Commissioner Thomas B. McCarthy III

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll Call
- 4. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Meeting Minutes of May 5, 2014
 - b. Special Meeting Minutes of July 14, 2014

5. New Business

- a. Reimbursement Agreement and Village Code Amendment
- **b.** Change date of September 1, 2014 Meeting

6. Old Business

- Westchester Fire and Police Commission Rules and Regulations update
 Amendments to the Rules and Regulations have been completed, posted and are in effect
- b. Upcoming Testing: Status Report
 - i. Entry Level Police Officer Testing (list expires 10/26/2014): Commissioner Kuratko Written Examination Date is September 20, 2014 at St. Joseph's High School
 - ii. Fire: Lieutenant Promotion List (2/10/2014): Commissioner McCarthy
 - a. Assessment Center (Illinois Fire Chiefs): date to be scheduled and announced
 - b. Written Exam (IO Solutions): date to be scheduled and announced

7. Information Only

- a. Next Meeting: August 4, 2014 at 6:30pm
- b. Steve McNellis (candidate on the Entry Level FF List) inquired about his standing on the list (6/23/14)
- c. Implementation of Public Act 98-760- Illinois Firefighter Hiring Law: (Legislative change of passing score on Firefighter Candidate Written Exams from Median Score to Set Passing Score)

Senate Bill 2826 was signed into law by the governor and is effective as of July 17, 2014. It has become P. A. 98-0760 and eliminates the "median" as the passing point for original entry fire fighter written examinations. The amended statute(s) now permit a fire and police commission, civil service commission, and/or a board of fire commissioners to set a minimum passing point for the written examination. Specifically, the statutes now provide as follows:

"... Passage of the written examination means attaining the minimum score set by the commission. Minimum scores should be set by the commission to demonstrate a candidate's ability to perform the essential functions of the job. The minimum score set by the commission shall be supported by appropriate validation evidence and shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws." (Emphasis supplied).

d. Fire: Entry Level Firefighter List (expires January 9, 2016)

- e. Fire: Captain's Promotional List (expires May 6, 2017)
- f. Police: Sergeant Promotional List (expires May 9, 2017)

8. Public Participation

In order to give as many visitors as possible an opportunity to speak and in the interest of adjourning the meeting by 8:00pm., please limit your comments to three (3) minutes in length, unless further time is granted by the Commission. Thank you.

9. Executive Session

10. Adjournment