



# Village of Westchester

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## MEETING MINUTES FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION MEETING January 5, 2022

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:09pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Responding present to roll call were Commission Chair McCarthy, Commissioner O'Shea and Commission Attorney Mike Jurusik.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Commissioner McCarthy made a motion, seconded by Commissioner O'Shea, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 1, 2021. The motion passed and the minutes were approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The first item of new business was the presentation and approval of the 2022 BFPC meeting schedule. Commissioner McCarthy made a motion, seconded by Commissioner O'Shea, to approve the meeting schedule for the 2022 year. The motion passed and the schedule was approved. The next item under new business was the resolution to approve executive session minutes for the 2021 calendar year. Commissioner McCarthy made a motion, seconded by Commissioner O'Shea, to approve the Resolution. The motion passed and the executive session minutes for 2021 were approved.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The first item of old business was the discussion of a testing timeline for Fire Lieutenant. Commissioner McCarthy explained that the Fire Union is in current contract negotiations with the Village and the BFPC will wait to establish a timeline for testing until the negotiations are complete. The next item of old business was the discussion of updates to the BFPC Rules and Regulations. Attorney Jurusik read through all of the red lined edits to be made to the Commission Rules. The discussion then moved onto vacancies in the police department. Commissioner McCarthy explained that Lateral Police Officer Robert Tountas had his first day of employment on December 6<sup>th</sup> and put in his resignation on December 18<sup>th</sup> effective immediately. Although he will no longer be employed with the Village the BFPC signed his appointment certificate to be placed in his file for record. The BFPC still awaits the background checks of 2 candidates from the police eligibility list. These files were sent to the PD for background check in hopes to have them completed should an academy spot become available.

### **INFORMATION ONLY:**

Next Meeting: February 2, 2022

Fire: Entry Level Firefighter List (Expires August 25, 2023)

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

Fire: Lieutenant Promotional List (Expired November 7, 2021)

Police: Entry Level Police Officer Expires October 6, 2023)

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)

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

There was no public participation

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner O'Shea made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McCarthy to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:56pm.