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MEETING MINUTES FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION MEETING May 3, 2023

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:22pm and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present were Commissioners McCarthy, Pedersen and O'Shea. Also Present was Village Manager Dawn Wucki- Rossbach.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner O'Shea made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pedersen, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 5, 2023. The motion passed and the minutes were approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

The first item of old business to discuss was the fiscal year 2024 Commission Budget. Commissioner McCarthy explained the numbers requested have been approved by the Village Board and effective as of May 1, 2023.

Next discussion moved onto possible hiring process changes for entry level firefighter testing. Commissioner McCarthy explained that online testing is being set up with the testing vendor for the next testing process. The current test for firefighter will be held on June 3rd at the Westchester Community Church. There are currently 7 applications purchased.

Next item of discussion was vacancy in the police department. Andrew Schellhorn started the academy on May 1, 2023. There is now 1 vacancy in the police department to fill at this time. The Commission has interviews scheduled after the meeting to try to fill this vacancy. If successful one of these candidates will attend the August academy. In preparation for possible retirements the BFPC is scheduling another police officer exam in the near future.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Trustee Gia Marie Benline was present at the meeting with a few fire and police testing questions for the Commission.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Commissioner Pedersen to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing: Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Promotion and Discipline of Village Employees. Motion was seconded by Commissioner O'Shea and the meeting went into executive session at 6:50pm

INFORMATION ONLY:

Next Meeting: July 5, 2023

Fire: Entry Level Firefighter List (Expires March 1, 2025)

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- EXHAUSTED)

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

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

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner McCarthy made a motion, seconded by Commissioner O'Shea to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:38pm.