# FRANKFORT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

### Board of Fire Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes Fire Station One 333 West Nebraska Street – Frankfort, IL 60423 Tuesday, March 8, 2022 – 10:00 A.M.

## I. CALL TO ORDER:

The President called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

# II. ROLL CALL:

Present: Commissioners: Raymond Garritano Michael Minogue

Commissioner Heather Dauber was absent from said meeting.

Chief Sean Fierce was also in attendance.

 A Motion was made by Commissioner Michael Minogue and seconded by Commissioner Raymond Garritano to:
"Appoint Commissioner Raymond Garritano as Secretary Pro-Tem for this meeting."

President Minogue called for a roll call vote. Upon the roll being called, the following Commissioners voted:

AYE:Raymond Garritano and Michael MinogueNAY:NoneABSENT:Heather Dauber

#### The President declared the Motion carried.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** 

None.

#### IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

- 1. December 14, 2021 -- Regular Meeting
- 2. January 10, 2022 Special Meeting
- 3. February 15, 2022 Special Meeting
- A Motion was made by Commissioner Michael Minogue and seconded by Commissioner Raymond Garritano to:
  "Approve the Regular December 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes, as presented."

President Minogue requested the Secretary Pro-Tem to call for a roll call vote. Upon the roll being called, the following Commissioners voted:

AYE:Raymond Garritano and Michael MinogueNAY:NoneABSENT:Heather Dauber

The President declared the Motion carried.

# IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: [Continued]

 A Motion was made by Commissioner Raymond Garritano and seconded by Commissioner Michael Minogue to:
"Approve the Special January 10, 2022 Meeting Minutes, as presented."

President Minogue requested the Secretary Pro-Tem to call for a roll call vote. Upon the roll being called, the following Commissioners voted:

AYE:Raymond Garritano and Michael MinogueNAY:NoneABSENT:Heather Dauber

### The President declared the Motion carried.

The February 15, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes were not called for approval due to the fact a quorum was not present for those particular Minutes. They will be placed on the next Regular meeting's agenda for approval.

# V. CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Fierce advised the Commissioners of the following;

- Proposing to hire three (3), of the eight (8), on the new Eligibility List;
- Replacing 1 Lieutenant (retiring), 1 Firefighter (medical retirement), and 1 (short shift fill-in);
- May need to schedule another test, if three (3) applicants are not available to hire; and,
- Prior to the March 15<sup>th</sup> BOT meeting, I (Chief Fierce) will meet with the Personnel Committee to discuss the hiring proposal and recruitment options.

Chief Fierce explained that there is a shortage of applicants for testing. This is not unique to the FFPD or our area departments. There is a "trained labor" shortage for our field, all over the state. The State of Illinois has adopted a national curriculum for testing, and during COVID-19, no EMT/Fire training schools or testing centers were open. The controversy regarding vaccinations contributed to many retiring and/or changing careers.

Chief Fierce added that since the FFPD has a large number of cadets (ages 17-20), a "pipeline" needs to be established whereby they could become certified FFPD FFs/EMTs and hired when they turn 21.

# VI. NEW BUSINESS:

No report.

VII. CLOSED SESSION – If needed, Exemption under employment matters.

None requested.

### VIII. ADJOURNMENT:

• A **Motion** was made at 10:10 A.M., by Commissioner Raymond Garritano and seconded by Commissioner Michael Minogue to: **"Adjourn the meeting."** 

President Minogue called for a voice vote. All in favor.

### The President declared the Motion carried.

Chief Sen Fierce, Recording Secretary

Secretary, Board of Fire Commissioners

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