

Village of Rockton
BOARD OF FIRE & POLICE COMMISSIONERS

110 East Main Street, Rockton, Illinois 61072

Commissioners

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**MINUTES OF AUGUST 22, 2019 SPECIAL MEETING OF
VILLAGE OF ROCKTON BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

Pursuant to Notice, a Special Meeting of the Village of Rockton Board of Fire and Police Commissioners was scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on August 22, 2019 in the main conference room of the Rockton Municipal Center for a Special Meeting. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL and ATTENDANCE

Chairman Stewart, Commissioner Hoey and Commissioner Gardner were present for roll call. Police Chief Stephen Dickson and Attorney/Secretary Charles Kostantacos were also present.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the August 8, 2019 Special Meeting were reviewed and discussed. On motion of Chairman Stewart and second by Commissioner Gardner, the Minutes as prepared and distributed were approved by unanimous vote. Commissioner Hoey abstained.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Timothy Bishop - Candidate Bishop had communicated with the Commission to inquire about his ability to apply in the future during another Patrol Officer testing cycle. He also requested information regarding the Commission discussion to disqualify him. After brief discussion, the Secretary was directed to advise the former Candidate of the Commission position to deny disclosure of background and other

testing results. The Secretary was also directed to advise him that he would be able to re-apply during future testing cycles.

- B. Chief Dickson distributed background information regarding candidate Austin Harter. The information was reviewed and discussed. Chief Dickson recommended that he be hired. At the conclusion of discussion, Commissioner Hoey moved to appoint Candidate Harter for full-time probationary employment as a Patrol Officer. Chairman Stewart seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous roll call vote.
- C. Chief Dickson briefly reported upon ongoing discussions and activity regarding a Sergeant who had been placed on administrative leave. The Commission was advised that further information and documentation was forthcoming.
- D. Candidate Larry Brostrom was discussed and his background information was circulated for review. Chief Dickson advised the Commissioners that he anticipated having an immediate need for another Officer. After additional discussion, Chairman Stewart made a motion to extend a conditional offer of full-time probationary employment to Larry Brostrom. His motion made the conditional offer subject to all applicable Rules and Regulations of the Fire and Police Commission, Rules and Regulations of the Police Department, and the availability of funding from the Village Board of Trustees. Commissioner Hoey seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous roll call vote.
- E. Wyatt Svedin – Chief Dickson reported that Candidate Svedin did not pass his polygraph examination. Chairman Stewart moved to disqualify Candidate Svedin from further consideration in this testing cycle. Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Prior to proceeding to New Business, a brief discussion took place regarding the current Sergeant Promotional List. The Commission directed Attorney Kostantacos to review some legal questions regarding promotional lists.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ATTORNEY REPORT

None.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A Personality Assessment invoice from Glenwood Center for \$450.00 was reviewed and discussed. Payment was approved on motion of Chairman Stewart, second by Commissioner Gardner, followed by unanimous roll call vote.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

Chairman Stewart and Chief Dickson mentioned that the Village Board of Trustees had acted favorably upon the Police Department budget and the Fire and Police Commission Budget.

ADJOURNEMENT

There being no further business before the Commission, Commissioner Hoey moved to adjourn. Chairman Stewart seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m. by unanimous vote.

Date: 10.08, 2019

Approved: 
Richard J. Stewart, Chairman