



DANVILLE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS
Regular Monthly Meeting
February 6, 2018

THE REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners was called to order at 5:00P.M., by Chairman Linda Bolton at the Robert E. Jones Municipal Building, 17 W. Main Street, Danville, Illinois.

THE ROLL CALL was answered by Chairman Linda Bolton, Commissioners Frank Brunacci, Amy Hoose Dr. Stephen Nacco and George Dowell; therefore, a quorum was present.

Absent were:

Staff Members Present: Human Resources Administrator Bill Westphal and Public Safety Director Larry Thomason.

Others Present: Malinda Hawkins

THE MINUTES of regular meeting held January 9, 2018, were presented. Commissioner Frank Brunacci moved for approval as presented seconded by Commissioner Amy Hoose. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

Malinda Hawkins who is a candidate on the current Probationary Police Eligibility List came to address the Board regarding her background check results. She stated that when she was on the previous list the Clinton, Indiana Police Department told the Investigator that she had been terminated and this time they stated she had resigned.

She said she wanted to set the record straight so the Board would know exactly what happened. When she finished Commissioner Nacco asked if there was someone who could come to a Board Meeting or document her record to substantiate her statements. Malinda said there was and she would get in touch with them.

Director Thomason questioned her on the sequence of her training with the Clinton Police Department.

Commissioner Brunacci said he was confused and asked was she really hired by the Clinton Police Department. She said she was sworn in and did work for the Clinton Department.

Chairman Bolton thanked Hawkins for her clarification and honesty, and said we will see what happens do the road.

Commissioner Nacco asked if she could have letters sent that could corroborate her explanation of the events. Hawkins said she could have those sent.

Director Thomason asked her if she was on the street by herself or was she assigned to a training officer. She said she was with another Officer for a month and a half and then she was on her own. All of this took place before they sent her to the Academy. The Director continued by asking her what they gave her to be on the street.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: No comments

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY:

Director Larry Thomason said he had reviewed the scores on the current Probationary Police Officers attending the Police Academy and he said he was perplexed by the first scores. The Academy has added crime indexing and he is not sure how that affects the scores. Also, he said this was the first class to go fourteen weeks instead of twelve, so that could be the reasons for the scores.

The Director spoke at length about the Academy curriculum.

The Board said it is good the City has five candidates who are doing well. He continued by saying the Police Division can be down two more officers by April and there could be three.

Also, the Director said the graduation for the current Probationary Officer attending the Academy will be on April 26, 2018.

CORPORATION COUNSEL: None

HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR:

Administrator Westphal presented a change to Section D.2, A, of the Board Rules regarding the eligibility requirements for Police promotions which was proposed by Director Thomason. The Board upon reading the proposed change had no further discussion. A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Brunacci and second by Commissioner Hoose. On a voice vote all ayes no nays; the motion as so ordered.

Director Thomason discussed the current Fire Division Promotion Eligibility Lists, and what is going to be needed. Then he discussed the Police Commander and Sergeants Lists and testing.

FURTHER ACTIONS: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 5:40 p.m., following a motion by Commissioner Dr. Nacco and a second by Commissioner Hoose. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.



William R. Westphal, Human Resources Administrator

I, William Westphal, Human Resources Administrator of the City of Danville, Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting held February 6, 2018.