

DANVILLE BOARD OF POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSIONERS
Regular Monthly Meeting
March 2, 2016

Members Present: Charles C. Hall, Linda Bolton, Frank Brunacci and Carl Alexander

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Public Safety Director Larry Thomason, Human Resource Administrator Bill Westphal and Alderman Ricky Williams

Chairman Hall called the Board Meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. Roll call was taken and all Board Members were present.

Minutes of the February 2, 2016 Regular Meeting were reviewed by the Board. Motion by Linda Bolton and seconded by Frank Brunacci to approve the February 2, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion approved 4-0.

Alderman Ricky Williams addressed the Board. He stated he was in attendance to review the process of the Board, and to advocate for the Board to appoint African-American or mixed race police officers if they were equally qualified in order to have more diversity on the police force. He gave his personal recommendations for police officer candidates Ethan Smith, Reginald Pace, Steven Bean and Eric Williams. Board discussion was held with Alderman Williams on the process of selecting probationary police officer candidates and future recruitment of candidates of all races. It was reported to the Board that Probationary Police Officer Taylor Walsh had resigned.

Bill Westphal distributed the Fire promotion oral interview schedule to the Board Members.

Chairman Hall reported he had a copy of a letter from Public Safety Director Thomason to Mayor Eisenhower requesting the appointment of four Probationary Police Officers. He stated he also had a letter from Mayor Eisenhower to the Board requesting the appointment of four Probationary Police Officers.

Motion by Carl Alexander and seconded by Linda Bolton to move into Closed Session under Section 2(c)1 and 2(c)2 of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the appointment of four Probationary Police Officers. Motion approved 4-0. Moved into recorded Closed Session at 5:25 P.M.

Returned from recorded Closed Session at 6:05 P.M.

Chairman Hall called for Motions to appoint four Probationary Police Officers.

Motion by Carl Alexander and seconded by Linda Bolton to appoint Chelsey Miller as a Probationary Police Officer to be effective March 30, 2016 pending successful completion of physical and psychological testing and background checks. Motion approved 4-0.

Motion by Linda Bolton and seconded by Carl Alexander to appoint Bricie Winkler as a Probationary Police Officer to be effective March 30, 2016 pending successful completion of physical and psychological testing and background checks. Motion approved 4-0.

Motion by Frank Brunacci and seconded by Carl Alexander to appoint Ethan Smith as a Probationary Police Officer to be effective March 30, 2016 pending successful completion of physical and psychological testing and background checks. Motion approved 4-0.

Motion by Linda Bolton and seconded by Carl Alexander to appoint Reginald Pace as a Probationary Police Office to be effective March 30, 2016 pending successful completion of physical and psychological testing and background checks. Motion approved 4-0.

Bill Westphal contacted the four candidates by telephone while the Board waited, and all four candidates accepted the appointments.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Frank Brunacci and seconded by Carl Alexander to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Motion approved 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori A. Block
Board Secretary