



**FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
8815 WEST 123RD STREET
PALOS PARK, ILLINOIS 60464**

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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BOARD MEMBER

**PALOS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
JULY 15, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER: A regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order on Tuesday July 15, 2014, at 4:30 p.m. by President James Staszczuk at Station #1, 8815 W. 123rd Street, Palos Park, Illinois.

ROLL CALL: On the call of the roll, the following Commissioners responded as present: Commissioners James Staszczuk, Robert Stevens and Paul Boehlke.

OTHERS PRESENT: Chief Patrick Gericke, Administrative Assistant JoAnn Ogden D'Altorio, Firefighter Thomas Foley and Thomas O'Connor.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 2, 2014, were reviewed. A motion was made by Commissioner Staszczuk to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Boehlke; Commissioner Stevens abstained; motion carried on a roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

CAPTAIN'S PROMOTIONAL EXAM: Discussed the grievance that was presented to Chief Gericke before the Captain's Exam, as the 6 all pulled out (4 verbally and 2 with email). Union stated that it was mandatory for the orientation process, as one person was not present but was going to be aloud to still take the exam. Chief Gericke explained the contract. Also stated that there is a Union Meeting tomorrow morning (July 16, 2014), Commissioner Staszczuk asked Chief Gericke if he was attending and stated he was not invited. If something is not in the contract it is not the responsibility of the Commissioners to decide.

What is the game plan for the exam? Do we start over or continue were we left off?

Chief Gericke spoke with the Union President and believes they are all in favor moving forward. After talking about the issue for awhile, it was recommended that the best thing would be to start over and calm the waters, so we will post it for 90 days, starting after the next meeting in August 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Staszczuk to post for the Captains test in August 2104 the motion was seconded by Commissioner Stevens. On a roll call vote, the motion carried.

Commissioner Staszczuk asked how much we owed Resource Management for the last test that was not completed Chief Gericke said about \$2,400.00. Commissioner Staszczuk asked Chief Gericke to contact Resource Management and let them know that we will be posting in August for this exam, if something changes from the union meeting regarding the decision for a new test we will have a special meeting to discuss, and it will need to be posted for 24 hours.

We currently do not have a list for Captain's but the list will be good for three (3) years once we have one.

DATES FOR FIREFIGHTER ORAL INTERVIEWS: The oral interview for the 2014 Firefighters Test will be scheduled for September 9th and 10th, 2014, starting at 5:00 pm for twenty minute intervals. We will use September 11th as a back up day for interviews after the regular Fire Commissioners Meeting is adjourned.

We will set up interview after the written test on August 9, 2014 before the candidates leave the written, they will need to be at a medium score to advance, the written exam will be scored on Saturday August 9, 2014. Within ten (10) days after oral interview the new list will be posted.

We had 36 applications get turned in. We will be sending out a letter tomorrow July 16, 2014 informing the applicants of the date, time and location of the orientation and written exam.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no other business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Commissioner Staszczuk to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Boehlke. On a roll call vote, the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 pm

The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held August 14, 2014 at 5:00 pm.






