

**WAUCONDA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
FIRE COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, March 16, 2021**

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 09:03am by Commissioner Durbin

Roll Call:

Present were Commissioners Price and Durbin. Commissioner Quick was present via the telephone as he was out of town. Also present was DC Buschick and DC Kane.

Public Comments: None

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Commissioner Durbin, seconded by Commissioner Quick to approve the Commission Meeting Minutes of February 16,, 2021.

- Call of voice vote: All Aye

Communications:

DC Kane informed the Commission that on March 15, 2021 Trevor Korinik came in and advised DC Kane and DC Buschick that he would be resigning from his employment with the Fire District effective at 07:00 on March 27, 2021. He advised that he was offered a full time position with the Bloomingdale Fire Department which is his home town. As such, this will leave a vacancy within our ranks and DC Kane has begun the process of contacting individuals currently remaining on our eligibility list. Phil Chaplick was called first and declined his second offer from the District. Damian Pedersen was next and he passed on the opportunity. Jonathan Fabsits was contacted and verbally accepted the position and was sent a Conditional Offer of Employment letter. This process continues.

Old Business:

A. Discussion and possible action on proposed WFD testing procedures.

1. The Commission reviewed the information provided by DC Kane reference the new proposal to extend the current Lieutenant Eligibility list so as to allow the Lieutenant testing process to begin earlier in the year. This came about from Administrations talks with Labor. Labor will agree to extend the Lieutenants list approximately 5 months or not to exceed past April 1, 2022. The process will begin in September 2021 and a new list will be posted at the end of March 2022.

Motion by Commissioner Durbin seconded by Commissioner Quick to agree with Labor to extend the current Lieutenants eligibility list from October 24, 2021 to April 1, 2022. Also agreeing with Labor to adopt a new Lieutenants testing schedule that would begin the process in September 2021 ending with the posting of a new eligibility list by April 1, 2022.

- Roll call vote: All Aye

2. The topic of entry level firefighter testing was discussed with the news that Trevor Korinik has resigned effective March 27, 2021. Discussion included a time frame to begin a new test if the Commission exhausts the eligibility list. DC Kane will inquire with the two (2) remaining candidates on the list if they are still interested in a position with Wauconda Fire if the opportunity arises. Discussion to continue

New Business:

- A. General discussion on the re-appointment of Commissioner Dan Quick to a 3 year term running from May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2024

Commissioner Quick advised the group that he would be interested in another three (3) year term with the Fire Commission. The other Commissioners agreed and the group instructed DC Kane to add Dan Quick's name for retention to the District Board meeting agenda at the appropriate time.

- B. DC Kane advised the Commission that a Special Meeting would have to take place in the next week or two in order for the Commission to issue a Certificate of Original Appointment for the new hire Jonathan Fabsits. The Commission agreed to make the necessary accommodations.

Closed Session: None

Public Comments:

The next regularly scheduled Fire Commission meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 beginning at 09:00 at Wauconda Fire Station 1.

Adjournment:

Motion by Commissioner Durbin, seconded by Commissioner Quick to adjourn the meeting at 09:30am.

- Call of voice vote: All Aye

Greg Durbin
Secretary

Patrick Kane
Recording Secretary

***THE COMMISSION APPROVED THESE MINUTES AT THEIR MARCH 29, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING**