

**VILLAGE OF WINNETKA
BOARD OF FIRE & POLICE COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES**

February 8, 2021
Approved: February 11, 2021

A record of a legally convened Special Meeting of the Winnetka Board of Fire & Police Commissioners, which was held virtually on the Zoom videoconference platform on Monday, February 8, 2021 at 4:30 PM.

1) Call to Order.

Chairperson Benson called the Special Meeting to order at 4:34 PM. Secretary Storkman called the roll. Present: Chairperson Margaret (Meg) Benson, Commissioner Ed Woodbury, Commissioner Wes Baumann, Police Chief Marc Hornstein, Deputy Police Chief Brian O'Connell, Assistant Village Manager Kristin Kazenas, and Benefits Coordinator Lizzy Storkman (Board Secretary).

Absent: None.

Also Present: One person in the audience.

2) Public Comment and Questions. None.

3) Approval of Minutes.

Commissioner Baumann moved to approve the minutes of the December 23, 2020 Board of Fire and Police Commissioners meetings as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woodbury. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Chairperson Benson, Commissioner Baumann, and Commissioner Woodbury. Nays: None. Absent: None.

4) New Business. None.

5) Closed Session.

Chairperson Benson moved to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Section 2(c)1 of the Open Meetings Act to conduct an interview for the position of patrol officer and discuss personnel and employment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baumann. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Chairperson Benson, Commissioner Baumann, and Commissioner Woodbury. Nays: None. Absent: None.

The Board adjourned to closed session at 4:37 PM.

The Board returned from closed session at 5:47 PM.

6) Other Business.

a) Patrol Officer Conditional Offers of Employment

1. Chairperson Benson moved to authorize staff to approve lateral candidate Nicholas Berggren to move forward in the patrol officer recruitment process to complete background and polygraph testing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woodbury. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes:

Chairperson Benson, Commissioner Baumann, and Commissioner Woodbury.
Nays: None. Absent: None.

Staff will return to the Board following the completion of background and polygraph testing to update the board on its findings and, if appropriate, seek approval for a conditional offer of employment.

- 2) Commissioner Woodbury moved to extend a conditional offer of employment to candidate Nicholas Wirth (#31) for the position of patrol officer, subject to the successful completion of post-offer examinations and procedures, and to authorize the Chairperson to sign the Certificates of Appointment should the candidate accept the offer and successfully complete the post-offer examinations. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Benson. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Chairperson Benson, Commissioner Baumann, and Commissioner Woodbury. Nays: None. Absent: None.

7) Adjournment.

Commissioner Woodbury moved to adjourn the Special Meeting. Commissioner Baumann seconded the motion. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Chairperson Benson, Commissioner Baumann, and Commissioner Woodbury. Nays: None. Absent: None. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, Board of Fire & Police Commissioners