

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

July 21, 2021

Approved: August 11, 2021

A record of a legally convened Special Meeting of the Winnetka Board of Fire & Police Commissioners, which was held in the Village Hall Council Chambers (510 Green Bay Road) on Wednesday, July 21, 2021, at 4:30 PM.

1) Call to Order.

Chairperson Benson called the Special Meeting to order at 4:40 PM.

Present: Chairperson Margaret (Meg) Benson, Commissioner Wes Baumann, Commissioner Ed Woodbury, Fire Chief John Ripka, Interim Deputy Fire Chief Tom Hutchison, and Benefits Coordinator Lizzy Storkman (Board Secretary).

Absent: None.

Also Present: None.

2) Public Comment and Questions. None.

3) Approval of Minutes. None.

4) New Business. None.

5) Closed Session.

Commissioner Baumann moved to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Section 2(c)1 of the Open Meetings Act to conduct interviews for the position of firemedic and discuss personnel and employment. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Benson. The motion carried 3-0.

The Board adjourned to closed session at 4:41 PM.

The Board returned from closed session at 6:10 PM.

6) Other Business.

a) Firemedic Conditional Offers of Employment

Chairperson Benson moved to extend conditional offers of employment to candidates Adam Hoeflich (#17) and Griffin Gratz (#50) for the position of firemedic, subject to the successful completion of post-offer examinations and procedures, and to authorize the Chairperson to sign the Certificates of Appointment should the candidates accept their offer and successfully complete the post-offer examinations. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woodbury. The motion carried 3-0.

b) Removal of Candidate from the Firemedic Recruitment Process

Chairperson Benson moved to remove candidate Edwin Knoblock from the firemedic recruitment process. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woodbury. The motion carried 3-0.

c) Future Meeting Dates

The Commissioners shared their availability with staff for future meeting dates the week of August 9 to hold additional interviews for firemedic candidates. The next board meeting is tentatively set for Wednesday, August 11.

7) Adjournment.

Chairperson Benson moved to adjourn the Special Meeting. Commissioner Woodbury seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, Board of Fire & Police Commissioners