

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

August 11, 2021  
Approved: September 28, 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 Wednesday, August 11, 2021, at 4:30 PM.

1) Call to Order.

Acting Chairperson Woodbury called the Special Meeting to order at 4:35 PM.

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

Absent: Margaret (Meg) Benson.

Also Present: None.

2) Public Comment and Questions. None.

3) Approval of Minutes.

Commissioner Baumann moved to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2021 Board of Fire and Police Commissioners special meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Acting Chairperson Woodbury. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Commissioner Baumann, and Commissioner Woodbury. Nays: None. Absent: Chairperson Benson.

Commissioner Baumann moved to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2021 Board of Fire and Police Commissioners special meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Acting Chairperson Woodbury. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Commissioner Baumann, and Commissioner Woodbury. Nays: None. Absent: Chairperson Benson.

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

The Board adjourned to closed session at 4:38 PM.

The Board returned from closed session at 5:26 PM.

6) Other Business.

a) Firemedic Conditional Offers of Employment

Acting Chairperson Woodbury moved to extend conditional offers of employment to candidate Zachary Fudalej (#25) for the position of firemedic, and to be hired outside of rank order, subject to the successful completion of post-offer examinations and procedures, and to authorize the Chairperson to sign the Certificate of Appointment should the candidate accept their offer and successfully complete the post-offer examinations. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baumann. Ayes: Commissioner Baumann, and Commissioner Woodbury. Nays: None. Absent: Chairperson Benson.

b) Removal of Candidate from the Patrol Officer Recruitment Process

Acting Chairperson Woodbury moved to remove candidate Michelle Barkho from the patrol officer recruitment process. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baumann. Ayes: Commissioner Baumann, and Commissioner Woodbury. Nays: None. Absent: Chairperson Benson.

7) Adjournment.

Commissioner Woodbury moved to adjourn the Special Meeting. Acting Chairperson Woodbury seconded the motion. Ayes: Commissioner Baumann, and Commissioner Woodbury. Nays: None. Absent: Chairperson Benson. The meeting adjourned at 5:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary, Board of Fire & Police Commissioners