



# VILLAGE OF WINNETKA

## Board of Fire & Police Commissioners

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### Special Meeting Notice

Thursday, October 15, 2020

5:00 PM

Winnetka Police Department Classroom

410 Green Bay Road

Winnetka, IL 60093

### AGENDA

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Public Comment
- 3) Approval of Minutes:
  - a. October 5, 2020
  - b. October 6, 2020
- 4) New Business
- 5) Closed Session
- 6) Other Business:
  - a. Patrol Officer Conditional Offer of Employment
- 7) Adjournment

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

October 5, 2020  
Approved: XXXX

A record of a legally convened Special Meeting of the Winnetka Board of Fire & Police Commissioners, which was held in the Winnetka Police Department Classroom (410 Green Bay Road) on Monday, October 5, 2020 at 4:00 PM.

- 1) Call to Order. Chairperson Benson called the Special Meeting to order at 4:06 PM.  
Present: Chairperson Margaret (Meg) Benson, Commissioner Wes Baumann, Commissioner Ed Woodbury, Police Chief Marc Hornstein, and Benefits Coordinator Lizzy Storkman (Board Secretary).

Absent: None.

Also Present: None.

- 2) Public Comment and Questions. None.

- 3) Approval of Minutes.

- a) Commissioner Baumann moved to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2020 Board of Fire and Police Commissioners meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woodbury. The motion carried 3-0.

- 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 interviews for the position of Patrol Officer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baumann. The motion carried 3-0.

The Board adjourned to closed session at 4:08 PM.

The Board returned from closed session at 6:24 PM.

- 6) Other Business.

- a) Approval of Candidates for the Position of Patrol Officer  
Commissioner Woodbury moved to authorize staff to approve candidates Benjamin Connolly (#11), Katherine Kirsh (#14), and Simon Lazar (#19) to move forward in the patrol officer recruitment process to complete background and polygraph testing in rank order following the conclusion of all candidate interviews. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Benson. The motion carried 3-0.

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 conditional offers of employment.

b) Removal of Candidates from the Patrol Officer Eligibility List

Commissioner Woodbury moved to remove the following candidates from the Patrol Officer Eligibility List: Eric Robertstad (#2), Milan Parekh (#5), Alexander Conglis (#6), Richard Comber (#7), Michael Sarni (#12), and Sandra Blaylock (#13). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baumann. The motion carried 3-0.

7) Adjournment. Chairperson Benson moved to adjourn the Special Meeting. Commissioner Woodbury seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary, Board of Fire & Police Commissioners

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

October 6, 2020  
Approved: XXXX

A record of a legally convened Special Meeting of the Winnetka Board of Fire & Police Commissioners, which was held in the Winnetka Police Department Classroom (410 Green Bay Road) on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at 4:00 PM.

- 1) Call to Order. Chairperson Benson called the Special Meeting to order at 4:04 PM.  
Present: Chairperson Margaret (Meg) Benson, Commissioner Wes Baumann, Commissioner Ed Woodbury, Fire Chief Alan Berkowsky, Deputy Fire Chief John Ripka, Police Chief Marc Hornstein, Deputy Police Chief Brian O’Connell, 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.

- a) 2020 Firemedic Eligibility List Approval

Staff updated the board that the Village conducted its entry-level firemedic written exam virtually through its testing provider, I/O Solutions, as a joint exam with the Village of Northbrook. 164 candidates tested and 117 candidates passed the exam. Of those who passed the exam, 101 tested for the Winnetka Fire Department. After the collection of preference points, the final list has been prepared for the Board’s approval.

Commissioner Woodbury moved to approve the 2020 Firemedic Eligibility List, which take effect on October 23, 2020 and will be active for the next two years. Commissioner Baumann seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

- 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 positions of firemedic and patrol officer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woodbury. The motion carried 3-0.

The Board adjourned to closed session at 4:06 PM.

The Board returned from closed session at 6:30 PM.

6) Other Business.

a) Firemedic Conditional Offer of Employment

Commissioner Baumann moved to authorize staff to approve candidate Kyle Tuttle (2018 Eligibility List #52) to move forward in the firemedic recruitment process to complete background and polygraph testing. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Benson. The motion carried 3-0.

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.

b) Removal of Candidate from the Firemedic Eligibility List

Chairperson Benson moved to remove candidate Frankie Gulo (2018 Eligibility List #55) from the Firemedic Eligibility List. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baumann. The motion carried 3-0.

c) Patrol Officer Conditional Offer of Employment

Commissioner Baumann moved to authorize staff to approve candidates Heidi Romandine (#15) and Martina Kukielka (#9) to move forward in the patrol officer recruitment process to complete background and polygraph testing in rank order following the conclusion of all candidate interviews. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Benson. The motion carried 2-1.

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 conditional offers of employment.

7) Adjournment. Commissioner Woodbury moved to adjourn the Special Meeting. Commissioner Baumann seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary, Board of Fire & Police Commissioners