



MICHIGAN CITY FIRE MERIT COMMISSION

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Michigan City Fire Merit Commission Meeting Minutes: April 11, 2016

President Mock called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. A quorum was noted with Commissioners Louise Mock, Charles Williams, Robert Pollock, Geoff Plummer and Patrick Vance all in attendance. Also present was Fire Chief Randy Novak.

At this time, President Mock asked all present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for a moment of silence for Firefighter Ray Celebucki who passed away on April 3, 2016.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES- Commissioner Pollock made a motion to accept the minutes as presented from the March 7, 2016 regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vance and carries as follows: **AYES: MEMBERS Plummer, Pollock, Vance, Williams and Mock (5). NAYS: None (0). Motion Carries.**

COMMUNICATIONS/CLAIMS- Commissioner Pollock made a motion to accept the payroll for \$1,426.27 which included the attorney fees. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carries as follows: **AYES: MEMBERS Plummer, Pollock, Vance, Williams and Mock (5). NAYS: None (0). Motion Carries.**

Commissioner Pollock updated everyone on the Budget.

REPORT FROM COUNCIL LIAISON SHARON CARNES- No Report

REPORT FROM COMMISSION ATTORNEY JENNIFER KOETHE- No Report

REPORT FROM UNION LOCAL 475- No Report

REPORT FROM FIRE CHIEF RANDY NOVAK- Chief Novak addressed the Commissioner about Ray Celebucki who passed away on April 3, 2016 at age 49, he had just under 20 years of service on the department.

Chief Novak addressed the Commissioner about an incident that occurred on March 14, 2016 at 131 Edwards Street. At that time, Chief Novak presented the Citizen Life Saving award to Mark Wright and Robert Jordan.

Chief Novak announced the retirements of Captain Spencer Walker on March 13, 2016 and Driver/Operator Matt Smith on March 13, 2016.

With the above retirements, the followings promotions were requested:

Lt. Dave Nespo to the rank of Captain effective March 14, 2016
Dennis Wantland to the rank of Lieutenant effective March 14, 2016
Brad Kreighbaum to the rank of Driver/Operator effective March 14, 2016
Christian Bietry to the rank of Driver/Operator effective March 14, 2016
Andre Glover to the rank of Driver/Operator effective April 4, 2016

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve these promotions. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Plummer and carried as follows: **AYES: MEMBERS Plummer, Pollock, Vance, Williams and Mock (5). NAYS: None (0). Motion Carries.**

There was update on the recruits at the Fire Academy stating the EMT portion is completed. One recruit was injured during PT and will complete the Fire Training portion of the academy this fall.

NEW BUSINESS- No Report

OLD BUSINESS –Rob Steinborn addressed the Commissioner regarding promotional test information. Commissioner Mock stated it is in the works and as soon as there is information it will be passed on to the firefighters. A test date was set for September 17, 2016.

PUBLIC COMMENT- Chris Willoughby addressed the commission updating them about being retained by two (2) or more applicants that have been turned down by the Pension Board.

COMMISSIN COMMENT- No Report

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vance and carries as follows: **AYES: MEMBERS Plummer, Pollock, Vance, Williams and Mock (5). NAYS: None (0). Motion Carries.**

NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, MAY 2, 2016 @ 5:00 PM

Louise Mock, President