

MICHIGAN CITY FIRE MERIT COMMISSION



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Michigan City Fire Merit Commission Meeting Minutes: **July 2, 2012 5:00 p.m.**

President Harris called the meeting to order. A quorum was noted with Commissioners Keith Harris, John Skierkowski, and John Stimley in attendance. Others present Chief Ronnie Martin, and Attorney Pamela Krause.

Commissioner Harris asked for an approval of the agenda, adding an additional item under new business, B. Disciplinary Action June 28, 2012. Motion to approve agenda by Commissioner Stimley, 2nd by Commissioner Skierkowski; **Ayes 3 Nays 0; motion carries**

Minutes from June 4, 2012 by Commissioner Skierkowski, and 2nd by Commissioner Stimley; **Ayes 3 Nays 0; motion carries**

There were no communications.

Claims for payroll \$926.67, attorney's pay \$500.00; Motioned by Commissioner Stimley, and 2nd by Commissioner Stimley. **Ayes 3 Nays 0 motion carries**

No reports from City Council Liaison, Councilwoman Boy.

No reports from Fire Merit Commission Attorney Krause.

New Business

A.

Disciplinary Action Dated June 1, 2012; Motioned by Commissioner Skierkowski, and 2nd by Commissioner Stimley. **Ayes 3 Nays 0 motion carries**

B.

Disciplinary Action Dated June 28, 2012; Motioned by Commissioner Skierkowski, and 2nd by Commissioner Stimley. **Ayes 3 Nays 0 motion carries**

C.

New Recruits Graduation; occurred on June 15, 2012, Commissioner Harris welcomed the following graduates to the department: Brian Smith, William Rody, Frank Rebac, Robert Hooper, and Matthew Miller.

Chief Martin stated that the recruits started online June 18, 2012, and will attend EMT training August 13, 2012 at the Michigan City Training Center; classes are \$675 per recruit; with several Firefighters already online taking the class as well.

Old Business

A. Update on Application

Commissioner Harris stated there are 175 applications, 31 local residents, 25 are minorities (4 are females, 1 American-Indian), and 11 minorities are local (within the city limits of Michigan City)

Commissioner Harris stated that with the help of Chief Martin they have secured the AK Smith Center for testing on August 25th; with half of the applicant's received a letter stating the doors will be opened at 7am and locked at 8am with no admittance after that time nor sit for the test; also included was a DVD for the CPAT.

Commissioner Harris asked Chief Martin to reserve the Training Center August 23, 2012 at 6pm for tutorial training using both room.

Commissioner Skierkowski wanted to remind all commissioners to be present and on time for the testing and to be early to get everyone registered. With a possible two ladder trucks available.

Commissioner Harris reminded everyone of the workshop for July 24, 2012 @ 5:30 pm. At the Training Center to address issues with the ordinance changes the union and Chief Office have.

Report from Chief Martin

Chief Martin congratulated Firefighter Brian Kubath for 30 years of service as of July 19, 2012.

Chief Martin read a special recognition letter to Firefighter Scott Kaletha:

For efforts shown to the Elston Middle School Students; and for the dedication of physical fitness to the youth of Michigan City awarded this July 2, 2012.

Chief Ronnie Martin

Chief Martin also mentioned the how Scott Kaletha was instrumental in helping out with the Academy.

Letter of Commendations written by Battalion Chief Howard Fuller were read for the following Firefighters; Lt. Jeff Cox, Tony Drzewiecki, Andre Glover, and Steve Kreighbaum; for their professionalism and dedication to the Michigan City Fire Department and citizens of Michigan City. The Firefighters worked together in responding to a call on June 21, 2012. Chief Martin continued to read the quick action of the Firefighters, along with the assistance of MCPD, and LPCOEMS, help save the citizens life.

Chief Martin mentioned the burning ban that was still in effect, and wished everyone a safe and happy 4th of July.

No Commissioner comments

No Public comments

**Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Stimley and 2nd by Commissioner Skierkowski
Commission voted (3) Ayes – (0) Nays motion carries.**

Next meeting August 6, 2012