



MICHIGAN CITY FIRE MERIT COMMISSION

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Michigan City Fire Merit Commission Meeting Minutes: July 7, 2014

President Mock called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. A quorum was noted with Commissioners Louise Mock, Robert Pollock, Geoff Plummer, Charles Williams and David Gring all in attendance. Also present was Fire Chief Ronnie Martin.

At this time, President Mock asked all present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Commissioner David Gring was introduced at this time.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pollock to accept the minutes from the June 2, 2014 meeting. Commissioner Williams 2nd. **Ayes 5 Nays 0; motion carries.**

Communications/Claims-

Claims-Commissioner Pollock stated the payroll for July 2014, which included Commissioner Gring was \$1,426.27.

There was a claim for Wayne Township for the two recruits for \$2,700.00 that was given to the Controller's office to be paid.

Commissioner Plummer made a motion to accept and Commissioner Williams 2nd. **Ayes 5 Nays 0; motion carries.**

Report from City Council Liaison- No Report

Report from Commission Attorney- No Report

Report from Union Local 475- They would like to welcome Commissioner David Gring.

New Business- None

Old Business- None

Report from Chief Martin- Would like to welcome Commissioner Gring to the commission. He was able to ride along on a call and got to see the firefighters in action.

Today the training officer communicated with Sarah Smith and they would like to have a tutorial on August 5, 6 and 7 at 6:00 PM to prepare the firefighters for the promotional testing in September. This tutorial will be held at the administration building located on Michigan Blvd. Commissioner Mock asked about the cost and Chief Martin stated he did not know how much this would cost. Commissioner Pollock stated that they would like to know the cost before they approved this.

Chief Martin once again updated the commission on the progress of working the Michigan City Area Schools about getting into the Curriculum training for students to be a firefighter, just like the police department has a criminal justice class. Their target date is the 2015-2016 school year.

Chief Martin gave several examples of how the firefighters are working together to give younger firefighters experience.

Discussion then went back to the training for high school kids and how they could volunteer at Pine and Springfield, but what was there available inside the city? And Military options also came up, if someone was in the military would they get credit for that as well?

Public Comment- No Report

Commission Comment- Commissioner Gring wanted to thank the 79 firefighters for asking him to be on the commission. That he would be reading the ordinance. That he was very happy to be here.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commission Pollock and 2nd by Commissioner Plummer, Ayes 5; Nays 0 motion carries.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 4, 2014 at 5:00 pm.