



MICHIGAN CITY

the place is here, the time is now!

Fire Merit Commission – 100 East Michigan Boulevard – Michigan City, IN 46360
Minutes of the August 4, 2008, Michigan City Fire Merit Commission Meeting

Bart Lombard called the meeting to order. A quorum was noted as present with Bart Lombard, John Stimley, Louise Mock, John Skierkowski, and Keith Harris in attendance. Others present included Pamela Krause, Dave Lamb, Mayor Oberlie, Randy Novak, Joan Chumley, Angie Nelson, Kyle Kazmierczak, and Kathy Dubie.

On a motion by Keith Harris and a second by Louise Mock the minutes of the June, 2008, were accepted.

There were no Communications.

There was no report from the City Council liaison.

Old Business: John Skierkowski reported that work on the 2009 budget is continuing.

Keith Harris discussed the cost of conducting the ability test in Portage. Michigan City could conduct its own tests if the needed equipment, which would cost \$17,000, were purchased. Kyle Kazmierczak added that steps would be taken for Michigan City to become CPAT certified. Bart Lombard added that a minor amendment to the commission's ordinance might need to be made. Keith Harris moved that Kathy Dubie draft a communication to the Board of Works requesting that the necessary equipment be purchased to conduct the CPAT ability testing in Michigan City. The motion was seconded by John Stimley and passed.

President Lombard reported that the commission is finalizing the paperwork and should be ready to move forward with hiring by the September meeting. Chief Lamb added that there is one position to be filled at the present time.

There was no report from the Attorney.

John Skierkowski reported that he is still reviewing and finalizing the performance evaluations.

Bart Lombard reported that Louise Mock has been updating all commission files.

Regarding the outstanding disciplinary matters by date of documentation:

1. 6/18/2008 was accepted as written after a motion by John Skierkowski and a second by Keith Harris.
2. 6/19/2008 was accepted as written after a motion by John Skierkowski and a second by John Stimley.

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3. 6/22/2008 was accepted as written after a motion by John Skierkowski and a second by Keith Harris.
4. 6/25/2008 was accepted as written after a motion by John Skierkowski and a second by John Stimley.

Chief Lamb reported that the 2008 evaluations for the first half of the year are almost complete. He explained the written information distributed to all commissioners and said that the training tower, purchased through a homeland security grant, should be delivered by the end of September. He stressed the wonderful cooperation within the municipal departments.

There were no Communications.

Randy Novak reminded the commission that the promotional testing will be conducted on September 20 and the training will be offered on September 9, 10, and 11.

On a motion by Keith Harris and a second by John Stimley, the meeting was adjourned.