

**MINUTES OF THE ZION BOARD OF FIRE & POLICE COMMISSIONERS
MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2015, AT 5:31 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT ZION CITY HALL
ZION, ILLINOIS**

Chairman Lewis called the meeting to order.

On call of the roll the following answered present: Commissioners White and Thomas, and Chairman Lewis. Fire/Rescue Chief Lewis and Police Chief Dumyahn were also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner White, seconded by Chairman Lewis, to approve the minutes of a Zion Board of Fire & Police Commissioners meeting held on November 11, 2014. The vote on roll call was: Commissioner White, aye, Commissioner Thomas, pass, and Chairman Lewis, aye. Motion carried.

UPDATE/FIRE LIEUTENANT & BATTALION CHIEF PROMOTIONAL TESTING

Diane Burkemper stated that the Lieutenant and Battalion Chief promotional testing process is underway and is on schedule. She stated that 3 candidates are testing for Battalion Chief and 7 candidates are testing for Lieutenant. She stated that the assessment centers will be held on January 23 and 24 and the written exams will be administered on March 7th. She stated that all candidates have been notified of their assessment center appointments.

POLICE OFFICER ORIGINAL ENTRY TESTING

Diane Burkemper distributed a tentative timeline. She stated that Stanard & Associates has become the preferred vendor for police officer original entry testing. She stated that she contacted Stanard to check availability for the written exam and oral board interviews, based on the tentative timeline, with the oral boards being conducted on a Friday and Saturday. She stated that she was advised by Stanard that they increased their price to conduct oral board interviews on the weekend. Chief Dumyahn stated that working with Stanard has been very helpful to the Police Department as now the public no longer has cause to believe that there is any Department interference or preferential treatment in the testing process. He recommended contracting with Stanard for the 2015 recruitment.

Commissioner Thomas stated that he feels the oral boards should include a Saturday date to better accommodate candidates who work Monday through Friday provided that the weekend cost increase was not excessive. The Commissioners agreed that the first choice of dates to conduct the oral boards was July 17 and 18th. The alternate dates selected were June 19 and 20th.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner White, that Stanard & Associates be selected as the testing vendor for the 2015 police officer original entry process contingent on the weekend price increase not exceeding 10%. The vote on roll call was: Commissioner White, aye, Commissioner Thomas, aye, and Chairman Lewis, aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, it was moved by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 5:48 p.m. Motion carried.

Diane Burkemper, Recording Secretary