

Bensenville Fire Protection District #2
Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2024

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BENSENVILLE FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT #2
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Bensenville Fire Protection District #2 was held at Station 107 located at 500 S. York Rd, Bensenville, IL on March 6, 2024.

Board Members:

Ms. Renee Coniglio
Mr. Paul Fischer
Mr. Logan Rott

Doug Halverson, Fire Chief/Administrator
Ms. Kris Murphy, Recording Secretary

Call to Order

At 2:02pm, Commissioner Coniglio called the special meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Roll call: Renee Coniglio present, Paul Fischer present. Logan Rott present. It was determined that a quorum was present.

Reading of Minutes

Commissioner Coniglio made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the December 6, 2023 regular meeting, and approve as written. Commissioner Fischer second. Roll call vote: Commissioner Coniglio, aye; Commissioner Fischer, aye; Commissioner Rott, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Commissioner Coniglio made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the January 18, 2024 special meeting, and approve as written. Commissioner Fischer second. Roll call vote: Commissioner Coniglio, aye; Commissioner Fischer, aye; Commissioner Rott, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Commissioner Coniglio made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the February 15, 2024 special meeting, and approve as written. Commissioner Fischer second. Roll call vote: Commissioner Coniglio, aye; Commissioner Fischer, aye; Commissioner Rott, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Old Business

- a) None

New Business

- a) Discuss National Testing Network (NTN) for initial hiring
 - i) Chief provided Commissioners with overview of the current testing process using COPS & FIRE and associated costs of ~\$4-5,000 per testing cycle

- 1) Testing windows would be cheaper to facilitate
 - 2) Improve availability to candidates outside the area and state
 - 3) Quality of testing not expected to decline with cost and flexibility improvements
 - 4) NTN offers online testing during customized available testing window
- ii) Other departments have moved to NTN including Franklin Park, Huntley, Wood Dale and soon Addison
 - iii) Commissioner Coniglio made a motion to approve the change to use NTN. Commissioner Fischer second. Roll call vote: Commissioner Coniglio, aye; Commissioner Fischer, aye; Commissioner Rott, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.
- b) Discuss the hiring of three candidates
 - i) Commission was provided test and background check results for two Firefighter candidates
 - ii) One candidate provided preemptive commentary on an infraction that would likely show up on their background review
 - iii) Candidates were secured positions in Romeoville Fire Academy for eight week class with District onboarding the week prior
 - iv) Three part timers were recently hired with all passing background checks, however one was discharged due to adhoc background check done by Chief, reemphasizing need to fully vet new candidates to the District
 - c) Discuss Rules & Regulations for Commissioners
 - i) Chief offered the Commissioners opportunity to ask any questions on the Rules & Regulations provided at the December 6, 2023 meeting. No questions.

Other Business

- a) Promotional Exam pending response from union president to agree to testing provisions

Adjournment

Commissioner Coniglio made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:43pm. Commissioner Fischer seconded. Commissioner Coniglio, aye; Commissioner Fischer, aye; Commissioner Rott, aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 2:43 pm.

Secretary, Board of Fire Commissioners