



Village of Rantoul

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David Sherrick, Chairman

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BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

RANTOUL FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION

Minutes of Special Meeting

Thursday, January 31, 2019, 2:30 p.m.

Rantoul Police Department Conference Room

109 E. Grove Ave., Rantoul, Illinois 61866

Present: Dave Sherrick – Commission Chairman
Ken Calhoun – Commission Member
Brian Schurter – Commission Member
Kathy Kohl – Recording Secretary
Lieutenant Alex Meyer – Rantoul Police Department
Chief Tony Brown – Rantoul Police Department

1. Chairman Sherrick called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.
2. No public comments.
3. Chief Brown presented a revised Fire and Police Commission Rules and Regulations which revealed the promotional examination scoring breakdown on a scale of 100 points with points assigned to each of the components as follows:
Written Examination 20 points, Oral Examination 30 Points, Command/Supervisor Evaluation 40 points, and Seniority 10 points (1 point per year for each full year of service as an Officer of the Village, up to a maximum of ten points). Commissioner Schurter moved to adopt the Rules and Regulations scoring breakdown revision as presented. Commissioner Calhoun seconded the motion. The Fire and Police Commission voted unanimously to adopt the promotional examination scoring breakdown revision upon approval of the Village Board.
4. Chief Brown asked how the Board felt about the proposed oral interview panel. Chairman Sherrick said he liked the idea of the panel comprised of three independent command level law enforcement members. Chairman Sherrick said he recommended the Fire and Police Commission approve the panel members and include one member of the Fire and Police Commission to oversee the panel. Lt. Meyer asked if the Board recorded oral interviews during the last promotional testing. Commissioner Schurter said the Board did record the interviews. Chairman Sherrick made a motion to accept the modifications of the oral interview panel for promotional testing. Commissioner Schurter seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to accept the modified oral interview board for promotional testing.
5. Chief Brown submitted a revision to the Fire and Police Commission Rules and Regulations removing authority for Lieutenant promotions from the Board of Fire and Police Commission. Chairman Sherrick moved to adopt the Rules and Regulations as presented. Commissioner Schurter seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to adopt the Rules and Regulations as presented upon approval of the Village Board.

6. Lt. Meyer recommended entry level police testing take place on April 13, 2019. Lt. Meyer said this would allow sufficient time for recruitment. After contacting other police agencies, Lt. Meyer said there was no conflict with other agencies accomplishing police testing. Chief Brown said the current eligibility list expires annually unless another year extension is requested. Chairman Sherrick said the current eligibility list is a two year list but the police department does not have to hire off the current list. Chief Brown thought the Board had previously struck the current eligibility list which Chairman Sherrick said was not the case. Lt. Meyer said he would like to proceed with entry level testing to establish a new eligibility list. Commissioner Schurter said the current eligibility list can last up to two years. Commissioner Schurter said the police department could quit using the current eligibility list by accomplishing entry level police testing and establishing a new eligibility list. There was no need to strike the current two year eligibility list.
7. The next quarterly meeting of the Fire and Police Commission is scheduled for April 17, 2019.
8. Chairman Sherrick moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Schurter seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.