CALUMET CITY BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Members:

Bryan Caridine, Stephanie Gomez Stephen Curry

Minutes

Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

July 2, 2025
Calumet City Public Safety Training Center
24 State Street, Calumet City, IL 60409
3:00 P.M.

3:05 pm

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

All the members were present.

It was noted that Chief Bachert, Chief Kolosh, Attorney Walsh, AS. Chief Black, AS. Chief Kwaitkowski, LT. Govert, FOP President A. Dimitroff, FOP VP W. Coffey were in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Stephanie Gomez and Stephen Curry were welcomed as the new Commissioners.

Chief Bachert spoke about the two new hires' start dates and possibly having open testing with the National Testing Network. There was a discussion on pre-employment exams for the Fire Department. Chef Bachert mentioned the Fire Academy graduation on July 19, 2025, and he invited all to come.

Chief Kolosh discussed the 13 candidates on the current eligibility list, and the new hires are in the academy. He mentioned the new hires were doing well.

Secretary Melanie Johnson discussed the upcoming Commissioner training in November 2025 in Naperville. Attorney Walsh discussed the Open Meeting Act training for the Commissioners, ID cards, and BFPC logo shirts for the new Commissioners.

A motion to select Brian Caridine as chairperson for the BFPC for one year was made by Commissioner Caridine. The motion passed unanimously.

3:21 pm

Five-minute recess.

3:29

Public session resumed. FOP Lodge 1 Attorney Tamara Cummings and Michael Drawhorn from COPS and Fire are in attendance to discuss the error in scoring for promotional testing.

Michael Drawhorn introduced himself and explained the process of testing and scoring, and how the error was made. He presented original score sheets and reports for review. Mr. Drawhorn took questions from Commissioner Curry, Commissioner Gomez, Attorney Walsh, Attorney Cummings, A. Dimitroff, and W. Coffey.

3:55 pm

Commissioner Caridine motioned to end the public session and enter executive session to discuss the matter of the error that was made in the test results, seconded by Commissioner Curry. The motion carried. Executive session commenced.

4:15 pm

Public session resumed. Attorney Walsh discussed the decision to allow Commissioner Caridine, Commissioner Curry, and someone from the FOP to visit the office of Cops and Fire on July 8, 2025, to review all materials related to promotion testing and rescan the written tests in the scantron machine.

4:22

Commissioner Curry motioned to end the executive session and return to the public session, seconded by Commissioner Caridine. The motion carried.

4:25 pm

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Caridine, seconded by Commissioner Curry. The motion carried.

Adjounment

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