

**Village of Franklin Park
Fire & Police Commission
Monday, March 3, 2025
Meeting Minutes**

Call to order: The meeting for the Fire & Police Commission was called to order by Commissioner Irene Herrera at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call / Quorum: Present is Commissioner Guillermo Rios Commissioner Irene Herrera, and Secretary Dinorah Rangel. Also in attendance, Battalion Chief Nick Stecker, Director Mike Witz, Mike Holmes, and Trustee Bill Ruhl.

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the February 23, 2025, meeting minutes was made by Commissioner Guillermo Rios and seconded by Commissioner Irene Herrera. Motion passed.

Communications:

Director Mike Witz: I would like to introduce Mike Holmes, Maritza Souchet tendered her resignation and Mark will be replacing Maritza Souchet. The five candidates will finish their testing around March 14th and I will ask that the board allow the top two to move forward to medical and complete their packets to be hired. Retired sergeant John passed away this week. He worked from 1960's to 1985 and lived in Kentucky was a nice man and church guy.

Chief Nick Stecker: We had a resignation two weeks ago and are short one position. We will have another resignation effective March 9th and making us short two. We have two other candidates being processed by other communities and will likely be leaving due to substantial financial differences. We have six injuries right now and will hopefully have two back this month. I spoke to Chief Mark Stewart and he has six applicants and hopefully we get a couple more.

Bill Ruhl: March 1st paramedics responded to 1000 Grand Avenue for possible heart attack. They shocked him and looks like they are going to be ok. Great job to our paramedics.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Public Comments: None

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 10:07 p.m. made by Commissioner Irene Herrera and seconded by Commissioner Guillermo Rios with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dinorah Bernal Rangel