

**Village of Franklin Park
Fire & Police Commission
Tuesday September 7, 2021
Meeting Minutes**

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

Roll Call / Quorum: Present is Commissioner Maritza Souchet, Commissioner Irene Herrera, Commissioner Guillermo Rios and Secretary Margarita Whaley. Also in attendance were Director of Police Mike Witz, Fire Chief Bill Brehm and Trustee Bill Ruhl.

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the August 16, 2021 meeting minutes was made by Commissioner Souchet with a second by Commissioner Herrera. Motion passed.

Communications:

Director Witz: We have a retirement coming up October 7th. Once we get files from upcoming police testing, we need to move forward quickly with the academy coming up in January. May need a special meeting in December to advance hiring, depending on when backgrounds are finished.

Chief Brehm: Looking to hire as soon as we get backgrounds and subsequent testing done, due to upcoming retirements.

Trustee Ruhl: Made note of letter of commendation from Gottlieb for 3 of our Firefighter/Paramedics for emergency services for a 2 year old. Trustee Ruhl thanked Chief Brehm for the actions of his staff. Also noted that Franklin Park Is 5th in the state of Illinois for DUI arrests which resulted in an IDOT grant.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Secretary Whaley notified the Commission and Director Witz of the dates we have set with Cops and Fire for upcoming Police testing.

Public Comments: None

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 6:05 pm made by Commissioner Souchet and seconded by Commissioner Herrera with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sec. Margarita Whaley