



Village of Rantoul

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BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

RANTOUL FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION
Minutes of Quarterly Meeting
Wednesday, July 18, 2018, 1:00 p.m.
Rantoul Municipal Building Conference Room
333 S. Tanner Street, Rantoul, Illinois

Present: Dave Sherrick – Commission Chairman
Ken Calhoun – Commission Member
Kathy Kohl – Recording Secretary
Lieutenant Alex Meyer – Rantoul Police Department
Sergeant Rodney Sullivan – Rantoul Police Department

1. Chairman Sherrick called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.
2. Approve Minutes
 - a. Commissioner Calhoun made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held Wednesday, April 18, 2018. Chairman Sherrick seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as written.
3. Public Comments
 - a. No public comments.
4. Old Business
 - a. No old business.
5. New Business
 - a. Lt. Meyer advised that Patrolman Matthew Oliger recently completed his probation. Patrolman Bert Richter retired June 29 and Patrolman Chuck Casagrande will retire the middle of August. The department recently interviewed several police applicant candidates, focusing on underrepresented classes. Sgt. Sullivan is currently working on background investigations for two candidates. The department has one training position reserved at Police Training Institute and one training position at Macon County Law Enforcement Academy for the new hires. The department is considering interviewing more police candidates on the eligibility list.
Lt. Meyer advised there is a need for diversity and well qualified applicants on the police force. The department has plans to focus on recruiting in the near future. In addition, the department would like to change the police testing process and are considering the possibility of an on-line and on-going police testing process in addition to traditional testing. Commissioner Sherrick stated he would like the commission to discuss other testing options at the next meeting.

- b. Police applicant Lauren Patterson informed Chief Tony Brown that she feels she is not the right fit for a police officer position. Lt. Meyer advised that police applicant Alexandria Swisher will no longer be considered for hire by the police department and requested that Swisher and Patterson be removed from the eligibility list. Commissioner Calhoun and Chairman Sherrick agreed to remove Alexandria Swisher from the eligibility list.
- 6. Other Business
 - a. The next quarterly meeting of the Rantoul Board of Fire and Police Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, October 17, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Rantoul Municipal Building.
- 7. Adjournment
 - a. A motion was made by Commissioner Calhoun to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Sherrick seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:22 p.m.