

Minutes of the La Porte City Fire Department

Merit Commission

January 6, 2022

Merit Commission met in person at Fire Station 1. Present were commission members, Edward Gondeck, Miles Fettinger, Dr. James Edwards and Alison Zoll. Chief Andy Snyder, Assistant Chief Kelly Burke, City Councilwoman Julie West and former Merit Commission President Gary Travis were also in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 PM.

A motion to accept minutes from December was made by Edward Gondeck and seconded by Dr. James Edwards.

Chief Andy Snyder introduced Alison Zoll. She was appointed by the Board of Works to fill Gary Travis's open position on the Commission. It was also reported that the Firefighters had elected Miles Fettinger to a 4 year term and Josh Huelat was re-appointed by the City Council.

Election of officers was held. Miles Fettinger was nominated for President by Edward Gondeck and seconded by Dr. James Edwards. Josh Huelat was nominated for Vice President by Miles Fettinger and seconded by Dr. James Edwards. Alison Zoll was nominated for Secretary by Dr. James Edwards and seconded by Ed Gondeck. All nominations were passed unanimously.

Old Business - Performance ratings were completed ahead of the deadline. All firefighters have received their score sheet and appeal information.

New Business – Scores were tabulated for the promotion list to take effect February 1, 2022. The list was presented to the Commission for consideration. A motion was made by Miles Fettinger to certify the list and was seconded by Edward Gondeck. It passed unanimously. The new list will take effect February 1, 2022 and be active through January 31, 2024.

Formation of applicant list for hiring was discussed since the current list will expire at the end of April 2022. A date of February 9, 2022 was set to begin accepting applications. More details will be discussed at the February meeting.

Chief Andy Snyder presented Gary Travis with a plaque in appreciation of his 22 years of service with the Merit Commission.

Ed Gondeck made a motion to adjourn, Alison Zoll seconded at 7:13 PM

Recorded by Dawn Prater

Alison Zoll Merit Commission Secretary