Greenwood Fire Department Merit Commission

Mr. Dhondt called the Wednesday December 6, 2023 Greenwood Fire Department Merit Commission meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Present:

Steve Dhondt, Don Fouts, Matt Holmes, Cindy Reinert, Michael Tapp, City Attorney Shawna Koons, Chief Jayme Washel, and Recording Secretary Kim Hamilton.

Motion was made by Mr. Holmes to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2023 executive session meeting as written; seconded by Ms. Reinert Vote: Ayes: Mr. Dhondt, Mr. Fouts, Mr. Holmes, Ms. Reinert, Mr. Tapp.

Motion was made by Mr. Tapp to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2023 meeting as written; seconded by Mr. Fouts. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Dhondt, Mr. Fouts, Mr. Holmes, Ms. Reinert, Mr. Tapp.

Old Business:

None Presented

New Business:

Mr. Dhondt explained the Rules of Procedure change to address a tie in the promotion processes was duly published and 30 days has passed so the rule is effective and the Commission is ready to entertain the Eligibility for Promotion to Captain List for approval.

Chief Washel presented the Captains Promotional List to the commission for certification. The list is as follows:

- 1. Josh Thompson
- 2. Derrick Watkins
- 3. Matt Shinkle
- 4. Bobby Price

Mr. Fouts moved to certify the Captain's Promotional List as presented by Chief Washel; seconded by Mr, Tapp. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Dhondt, Mr. Fouts, Mr. Holmes, Ms. Reinert, Mr. Tapp.

Ms. Koons explained that under the Greenwood Fire Department Merit Commission Rules of Procedure, when a vacancy in the rank of Captain occurs the Commission is to certify to the Fire Chief the three (3) members with the highest scores on the eligibility list for promotion; then, within six months the Commission, upon the Chief's recommendation, shall promote one of those members to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Fouts moved to certify to the Chief the three members with the highest scores in numerical order on the promotion to Captain eligibility list: Josh Thompson, Derrick Watkins, and Matt Shinkle for promotion to fill the vacant Captain position.

Chief Washel recommended to fill the current open Captain position with Josh Thompson. Mr. Tapp moved to promote Josh Thompson to position of Captain as recommended by the Chief; seconded by Ms. Reinert. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Dhondt, Mr. Fouts, -Mr. Holmes, Ms. Reinert, Mr. Tapp.

Chief Washel presented the Lieutenant Promotional List to the commission for certification. The list is as follows:

- 1. Kent Stephens
- 2. Matt Stumpo
- 3. Nick Beamon
- 4. Rob Stecher
- 5. Michael Mitchell
- 6. Brent Rockwell
- 7. Jesse Traylor
- 8. Brandon Flick
- 9. Matt Gates
- 10. Andrew Emery
- 11. Brandon Bennett
- 12. Ian Garrison

Mr. Holmes moved to certify the Lieutenant Promotional List as presented by Chief Washel; seconded by Mr. Fouts. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Dhondt, Mr. Fouts, Mr. Holmes, Ms. Reinert, Mr. Tapp.

Mr. Tapp moved to certify to Chief Washel the three members with the highest scores in numerical order on the promotion to Lieutenant eligibility list: Kent Stephens, Matt Stumpo; and Nick Beamon to fill upcoming open Lieutenants positions, seconded by Ms. Reinert. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Dhondt, Mr. Fouts, Mr. Holmes, Ms. Reinert, Mr. Tapp.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be the annual meeting on January 17, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

Kim Hamilton, Recording Secretary

Steve Dhondt, President