



**CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
POLICE MERIT COMMISSION**
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Henry Rodriguez, President

Tammy Sloss, Vice President

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Shana Levinson, Commission Attorney

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 2, 2019**

Call to Order: 5:07 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Kokot, Peterson, Sloss, Rodriguez

Absent: Smith

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda by Commissioner Peterson. Second by Commissioner Sloss. A voice vote was called by Commissioner Rodriguez. All in favor. None opposed.

Motion carries.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve Minutes of March 5, 2019 by Commissioner Peterson. Second by Commissioner Sloss. A voice vote was called by Commissioner Rodriguez. All in favor. None opposed.

Motion carries.

Correspondence - Commissioner Rodriguez informed the Commission that he received an email from Steve at FPSI re: testing and hiring. Email suggested that the board sign the annual lease agreement to avoid last minute rush orders on exams for the next testing process.

Communications from ECPD:

Deputy Chief Rosario reported that, as of today, 36 applications have been received. The Department would like to see the application time remain open through the job fair, scheduled April 10th. August 5 is next academy class so the deadline should close soon thereafter to get through the process in time. April 19 should provide enough time.

Deputy Chief Rosario also reported that April 26 is the graduation of new hires from the academy. He will email the exact time. All the new hires have passed criminal law, firearms and evoc and are doing well.

The academy trained 45 in evoc this past time. Big classes so the Department should get reservations in quickly to avoid full classes.

Communications from Commissioners: None

Committee reports: None

Old Business: Commissioner Peterson talked to command staff about holding a workshop for commissioners or anyone who wants to attend about the inner-workings of the department. Open it up to the community. Deputy Chief Rosario said he would speak to the Chief about it.

Regarding applications, Commissioner Sloss stated that she already reviewed some of the applications since she'll be limited in time once the date is closed. Deputy Chief Rosario stated that they have already done the iii's on the applicants who have applied so they can weed out people without, say, a valid license.

New Business: Motion made by Commissioner Peterson to have a cutoff date for applications of April 19, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Sloss. A voice vote was called by Commissioner Rodriguez. All in favor. None opposed. The Commission will ask Ms. Rodriguez to post that in the newspaper.

Motion Carries.

Other Business: None

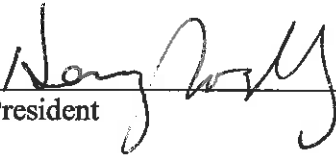
Public Comment:

Rosa Howard spoke about an accident that occurred on October 11, 2018 near Knights of Columbus Hall. She felt an officer wrote up the accident report inaccurately. Deputy Chief Rosario stated that he would speak with her after the meeting and try to assist.

Next Meeting: April 16, 2019 @ 5:00 p.m.

Adjournment: 5:35

Minutes approved this 16 day of APRIL, 2019.



President

Attest: 
