

Minutes of the La Porte City Fire Department

Merit Commission

October 2, 2024

The Merit Commission met in person at Fire Station 1. Present were commission members Alison Zoll, Ian Eldridge, Dr. James Edwards and Josh Huelat. Chief Andy Snyder and Assistant Chief Kelly Burke were also in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM.

A motion to accept the minutes from September was made by Josh Huelat and seconded by Ian Eldridge.

Old Business – Chief Andy Snyder reported that Owen Barsic was approved by State PERF. He has met with HR and Andy, his first day will be Monday October 21st. A modified training will begin and academy by the first of the new year.

The performance ratings and advisory forms have been distributed.

New Business – Chief Andy Snyder reported he has had a few inquiries about promotional testing and study materials.

Alison Zoll reported she met with the City Attorney regarding suggested edits to the Rules and Procedures and Lateral Transfers. Alison is going to put the proposed changes in writing and send back to him for approval. During this discussion, Assistant Chief Kelly Burke recommended changes to the performance ratings process to include eliminating the advisory portion and that each firefighter possess certification for the rank they are testing for.

Josh Huelat made a motion to adjourn, Ian Eldridge seconded at 7:14 PM.

Recorded by Dawn Prater

Ian Eldridge Merit Commission Secretary