

Meeting Minutes of the Special Meeting  
City of St. Charles  
Board of Fire & Police Commissioners  
Monday, June 19, 2023  
5:00 p.m.  
2 E Main St.  
Council Committee Room  
City Hall

Present: Patrick Reed, Wedge Lazenby, Mary Jo Knipp

Absent: Tony Stancati, Geoff Pretkelis

Also Present: Police Chief Jim Keegan; Fire Chief Scott Swanson; Deputy Fire Chief Tony Cavallo; Human Resources Assistant Director, Denice Brogan; Carole Murphy, Recording Secretary

**1. Call to Order**

Patrick Reed called the meeting to order at 5:18 pm.

**2. Roll Call**

Roll was called with three members present.

**3. Public Comment**

N/A

**4. Executive Session, Personnel – 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)**

**a. Review of Police Applicant Background Reports**

- A motion was made by Wedge Lazenby and seconded by Mary Jo Knipp to move into executive session at 5:19 pm. The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote of all members present.
- A motion was made by Wedge Lazenby and seconded by Mary Jo Knipp to move out of executive session at 5:35 pm. The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote of all members present.

**5. Decision for Police Department Backgrounds**

After review and discussion of the Police Officer candidate backgrounds in executive session, Chief Keegan asked the Board for the approval of candidates #1 and #2 and to deny candidate #3.

- A motion was made by Wedge Lazenby and seconded by Mary Jo Knipp to approve the background for candidate #1 and to move forward with the new hiring process. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote of all members present.
- A motion was made by Wedge Lazenby and seconded by Mary Jo Knipp to approve the background for candidate #2 and to move forward with the new hiring process. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote of all members present.
- A motion was made by Wedge Lazenby and seconded by Mary Jo Knipp to deny candidate #3 from moving forward with the new hiring process. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote of all members present.

**6. Other Business**

Chief Keegan said he will have at least 2 more backgrounds that he will be bringing to the Board for review.

**7. Adjournment**

With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Wedge Lazenby and seconded by Mary Jo Knipp.

The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote of all members present. The meeting was adjourned at 5:39 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Carole Murphy; Recording Secretary