



Board of Fire & Police
Commissioners

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF
CITY OF ROCKFORD
BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

Meeting Held at:
Rockford Fire Department
204 South First Street
Rockford, Illinois 61104

Date & Time: Tuesday, August 11, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.

I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

Present for the meeting were Commissioner Maurice West, Commissioner Jessica Jones, and Commissioner Sam Schmitz. Attorney Ian K. Linnabary was present as Secretary to the Board. Lieutenant John Hoeksema, Deputy Chief Kevin Ogden, and Assistant Deputy Chief Robert Reffett were present on behalf of the Rockford Police Department.

Commissioner Schmitz made a motion to appoint Secretary Linnabary as the hearing officer to preside over the proceedings regarding the Citizen Complaint against Rockford Police Department Deputy Chief Kevin Ogden and Assistant Deputy Chief Robert Reffett. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones. All three Commissioners voted in favor.

II. Public Comment – None.

III. Old Business – None.

IV. New Business – Citizen Complaint. The Commissioners heard from Lt. Hoeksema, DC Ogden, and ADC Reffett regarding the Citizen Complaint against Rockford Police Department Deputy Chief Kevin Ogden and Assistant Deputy Chief Robert Reffett. Following the Commissioners’ review of the matter, Commissioner Schmitz made a motion to find that probable cause existed to proceed to a full disciplinary hearing in connection with the Citizen Complaint. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones. All three Commissioners voted “No” and the Citizen Complaint against the Rockford Police Department.

Officer Recruit Applications. The Commissioners reviewed recruit applications submitted for the position of Rockford Police Officer. No action was taken.

V. Communications to Board – None.

VI. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 11:42 a.m. by unanimous consent.

ATTEST:

Ian K. Linnabary, as Secretary to the
Board of Fire and Police Commissioners