



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, September 8, 2020, at 11:00 a.m.

I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 11:05 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. Deputy Chief Kevin Ogden and Assistant Deputy Chief Douglas Pann were present telephonically on behalf of the Rockford Police Department.

II. Public Comment – John M. Stassi addressed the Commission.

III. Old Business – None.

IV. New Business – Police Department. The Commissioners heard from DC Ogden, and ADC Pann regarding an extension of the probationary period for lateral hire Justin Walters. Following extensive discussion and at the Department's request, Commissioner Jones made a motion to extend Officer Walters' probationary period for an additional period of six (6) months to commence upon the date Officer Walters returns to work, and that such extended probationary period shall toll for any additional amounts of time Officer Walters is absent from work due to work-related injuries. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Schmitz. All three Commissioners voted in favor.

Officer Elections. The Commissioners discussed the election of future officers and decided to lay the matter over for one month pending further discussion.

V. Communications to Board – None.

VI. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 a.m. by motion made by Commissioner Schmitz, seconded by Commissioner Jones, and all three Commissioners voted in favor.

ATTEST:



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