



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: Wednesday, April 28, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present for the meeting were Commissioner Samuel Schmitz, Commissioner Ingrid Hargrove, and Commissioner Rudy Valdez. Attorney Ian Linnabary was present as Secretary to the Board. Chief Daniel O'Shea and Lieutenant Kevin Nordberg were present on behalf of the Rockford Police Department. Chief Derek Bergsten was present on behalf of the Rockford Fire Department.

II. Public Comment – None.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes – None.

IV. Old Business

A. Police Department

i. The Commissioners conducted oral interviews of police sergeant candidates. No action was taken.

ii. Motion was made by Commissioner Valdez to appoint Randy Berke as the Interim Police Chief. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hargrove. All three Commissioners voted in favor.

B. Fire Department – Motion was made by Commissioner Hargrove to appoint Robert Vertiz as the Interim Fire Chief. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valdez. All three Commissioners voted in favor.

C. General – Motion was made by Commissioner Hargrove to retain Industrial/Organizational Solutions, Inc., to provide professional consulting services in connection with the recruiting and hiring of a fire chief and police chief for the City of Rockford based upon the schedule of costs and expenses provided on April 27, 2021, subject to the negotiation of an acceptable contract. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valdez. All three Commissioners voted in favor.

V. New Business

A. Police Department – None.

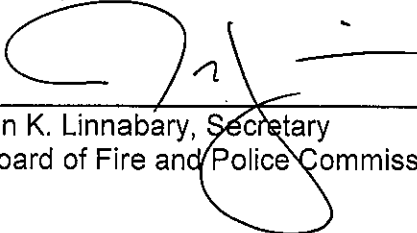
B. Fire Department – None.

C. General – None.

VI. **Communications to Board** – None.

VII. **Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m. by motion made by Commissioner Valdez. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hargrove. All three Commissioners voted in favor.

ATTEST:



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