



*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 10, 2021, at 11:00 a.m.

**I. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 11:00 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. Interim Chief Randy Berke and Lieutenant Kevin Nordberg were present on behalf of the Rockford Police Department. Interim Fire Chief Todd Stockburger was present on behalf of the Rockford Fire Department.

**II. Public Comment** – Bob Babcock addressed the Board.

**III. Approval of Meeting Minutes** – Commissioner Hargrove made a motion to approve the July 13, 2021, July 16, 2021, July 19, 2021, and July 22, 2021, meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valdez. All three Commissioners voted in favor.

**IV. Old Business**

A. Police Department – Commissioner Valdez made a motion to enter into closed session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hargrove. All three Commissioners voted in favor. During closed session, Commissioners discussed the psychological evaluation of Nyoka Young, and the background investigation of Richard Briggs. Commissioner Valdez made a motion to enter into open session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hargrove. All three Commissioners voted in favor.

Commissioner Hargrove made a motion to remove Nyoka Young due to the results of her psychological evaluation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valdez. All three Commissioners voted in favor.

Commissioner Valdez made a motion to remove Richard Briggs due to failing the background investigation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hargrove. All three Commissioners voted in favor.

B. Fire Department – None.

C. General – Commissioners discussed the assessment center process, and the timing of selection and announcement of the next Rockford Police Chief and the next Rockford Fire Chief.

**V. New Business**

- A. Police Department – Lt. Nordberg addressed the Board regarding active police officer recruit list member Jonathan Smith and allowing Mr. Smith to be placed on the new police officer appointment register of eligibles. Commissioner Valdez made a motion to place Jonathan Smith at the top of the new list of police officer recruit register of eligibles. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hargrove. All three Commissioners voted in favor.
- B. Fire Department – None.
- C. General – Commissioners reviewed the Industrial/Organizational Solutions, Inc., invoice numbers C50618A and C50619A. Commissioner Valdez made a motion to approve the invoices. The motion was second by Commissioner Hargrove. All three Commissioners voted in favor.

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

- VII. Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m. by motion made by Commissioner Valdez. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hargrove. All Commissioners voted in favor.

**ATTEST:**



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