

**PIKE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT
MERIT COMMISSION
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INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46268**

President:

Stephen Buschmann

Vice President:

Natrina DeBow

Secretary:

Russell Sipes

Members:

Steve Hendrixson

Nancy Poore

September 18, 2024
Regular Meeting

ATTENDEES:

Merit Commission – Steve Hendrixson, Stephen Buschmann, Natrina DeBow

Pike Township – Chief Jeff Beam, Lt. Steve Mills, HRM Kris Harrison, Payroll/Benefits Administrator Jill Smith.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Copies of the August 21, 2024 minutes were distributed for review. There was a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded and approved.

AGENDA/NEW BUSINESS:

The meeting was called to order at 1803 hours.

The meeting began with The Pledge of Allegiance.

Chief Beam presented the new firefighter hiring eligibility list to the Merit Commission. The list included only those applicants who scored 70% or higher based on PFE and interview scores. The Chief stated that the new list would be good for two years. President Buschmann asked for a motion to approve the 2024 eligibility list. Vice-President DeBow made the motion which was seconded by Commissioner Hendrixson and passed unanimously.

MISC. BUSINESS:

Chief Beam reported that Jason Allgood, Brandon Krieger and Alan McKamey will complete their time as probationary Lieutenants on October 19th. He would like that their merit rank permanent as of that date. President Buschmann asked for a motion to

promote Jason Allgood, Brandon Krieger and Alan McKamey to the permanent rank of Lieutenant upon approval by the Chief. The motion was made by Vice-President DeBow, seconded by Commissioner Hendrixson and passed unanimously.

In addition, Aaron Bell will complete his time as a probationary Battalion Chief on October 19th and Chief Beam would like to make Battalion Chief Bell's merit rank permanent on that date. President Buschmann asked for a motion to promote Aaron Bell to the permanent rank of Battalion Chief upon approval by the Chief. The motion was made by Vice-President DeBow, seconded by Commissioner Hendrixson and passed unanimously.

Chief Beam requested that the November Merit Commission meeting be moved from Wednesday, November 20th to Tuesday, November 26th. Applicant files will be presented for final review and approval by the Merit Commission on that date.

The meeting adjourned at 1815 hours.