

**MINUTES
CIVIL SERVICE MEETING
Monday, July 28, 2014**

The Civil Service Commission met at 4:00 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room, Municipal Government Complex, second floor, 201 W. Water Street, Piqua, Ohio.

Board members present were Mike Gutmann, Alissa Blankenship, Stu Shear, Bruce Hogston and Evelyn Mahrt. Also present were Elaine Barton, Human Resources Director, Mike Rindler, Fire Chief, Robert Bloom, Firefighter.

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Mike Gutmann called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Bruce Hogston made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2014 meeting. Evelyn Mahrt seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Announcement for Entry Level Firefighter

Elaine Barton indicated that the announcement would be similar to the announcement for entry-level Police Officer but the minimum requirements for Firefighter/Paramedic were inserted.

Candidates are eligible to take the test if they do not have a Paramedic Certification but must have at the time of hire. Candidates are eligible to take the test if they do not have their CPAT but must have by time of hire.

Sidney Fire Department is also currently advertising and they are using the National Testing Network.

Mike Rindler was asked what he thought the application period should be and he responded thirty or sixty days.

Mike Gutmann asked if anyone had any comment about the "Announcement" for the next firefighter test. Mike Rindler said he was happy with it. Bruce Hogston said that he thinks you should get extra credit for having a college degree. Mike Rindler said that they have the ability to change the minimum requirements from Announcement to Announcement. It was his understanding that the Civil Service Commission only wanted to give preference to those serving in our military.

Bruce Hogston made a motion to approve the "Announcement" and Stu Shear seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

A discussion took place as to what the application period would be. Elaine Barton suggested Monday, August 04, 2014 through Tuesday, September 30th.

Review of Rules

Mike Gutmann asked if everyone had a chance to review pages 14 and 15, proposed changes to the rules. Mike Rindler clarified that the changes were made because of some questions that came up about credit for prior full-time service. Mike Gutmann clarified that the changes, as previously discussed, were in paragraph E.

Elaine Barton asked if the Civil Service members wanted to sign the revised rules at the next meeting or if they wanted her to insert the revisions as they wait. Mike Gutmann said that he felt everyone was

comfortable with the changes being incorporated into the rules. Elaine Barton made the changes and Evelyn Mahrt made a motion to approve the amended rules. Alissa Blankenship seconded the motion and the motion carried.

New Business

Mike Gutmann asked if there were any other items that needed to be discussed.

Mike Rindler announced that Mike Peltier would be retiring in January 2015 and potentially three others. He also announced that Brent Pohlschneider will be moving into an administrative position and also doing some duties of the Fire Prevention officer. Bruce Hogston asked if this would create an opening. Mike Rindler said that it will not because they had one extra firefighter on one of the shifts and now all the shifts will be equal.

Adjournment

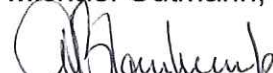
Stu Shear made a motion to adjourn and Evelyn Mahrt seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

PIQUA CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

DATE APPROVED: 12/16/14



Michael Gutmann, Chairperson



Alissa Blankenship, Secretary



Bruce Hogston, Member



Stu Shear, Member



Evelyn Mahrt, Member