

**MINUTES**  
**CIVIL SERVICE MEETING**  
**Wednesday, October 7, 2015**

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 and Evelyn Mahrt. Mary Frances Rodriguez was unable to attend. Also present were Gary Huff, City Manager, Elaine Barton, Human Resources Director, Brent Pohlschneider, Acting Fire Chief, Bruce Jamison, Police Chief, and Stacy Wall, Law Director. In addition, Bob Bloom from the Fire union.

**REGULAR CIVIL SERVICE MEETING**

Mike Gutmann called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Mike Gutmann noted that four board members were present and Mary Frances Rodriguez was excused.

**Approval of Minutes**

Evelyn Mahrt moved to approve the minutes from the June 15, 2015 meeting. Stu Shear seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

**Fire Chief Promotional List**

The first item on the agenda was to establish eligibility list for Fire Chief. It was noted that Mike Gutmann observed the written test on August 26, 2015 and Alissa Blankenship and Stu Shear observed the assessment portion of the promotional exam September 23-24, 2015. There were no issues. Brent Pohlschneider said that he felt like it was very organized and the assessors were very professional.

Elaine Barton stated that candidate number 2 came out on top and that was Brent Pohlschneider. Brent Pohlschneider was congratulated by the Commissioners.

Mike Gutmann asked if there were any other issues and noted that the Civil Service Commission was caught up with the Fire Department.

**Police Lieutenant Promotional Test**

Stu Shear observed the Police Lieutenant written test given August 5, 2015 and Mary Frances Rodriguez observed the interviews September 29, 2015. Stu Shear said that he thought the testing process was very thorough. Elaine Barton read an email that she received from Mary Frances Rodriguez stating that she was very impressed with the assessors and in her opinion any of the candidates would make a fine Lieutenant.

The candidates were identified by number and their picture was identified by a letter.

The candidates ranked in the following order:

1. Bill Weaver
2. Jerry Fogt
3. Robert Gearing
4. Phil Crusey
5. Chris Yingst
6. Brian George

**Police Lieutenant Promotional Test (cont'd)**

Evelyn Mahrt made a motion to approve the Police Promotional List for Police Lieutenant and Stu Shear seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried

Bruce Jamison said that there is one position open now, but he anticipates another position the first of 2016.

**Other Business**

Mike Gutmann asked if there was any other business. Bob Bloom said that there should be an open Assistant Chief's position with Brent Pohlschneider's promotion and he he wanted to know when that was going to be filled. Gary Huff said that he would discuss this with the new Fire Chief, Brent Pohlschneider.

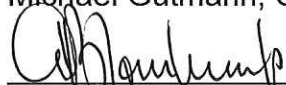
**Adjournment**


Stu Shear made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Alissa Blankenship seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

PIQUA CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

DATE APPROVED: 1/19/16

  
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Michael Gutmann, Chairperson

  
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Alissa Blankenship, Secretary

  
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Stu Shear, Member

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Evelyn Mahrt, Member

  
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Mary Frances Rodriguez, Member