

McHENRY COUNTY MERIT COMMISSION

MINUTES OF WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2007

The meeting of the McHenry County Merit Commission was called to order at 10:32 a.m. on August 8, 2007 with all members present Also in attendance: Susan Connor, Special Assistant State's Attorney; Vito LoVerde, Attorney; Deputy Robert Schlenkert, Eugene Lowery, Undersheriff; Kathleen Seith, EEO; John Kelly, Attorney, and Gary Bailey, FOP Attorney.

MINUTES

Mr. McAndrews moved to accept the minutes of June 13, 2007 and June 30, 2007 as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Goode and carried with all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Connor informed the commission that a complaint has been filed with the commission by the Sheriff. Ms. Connor further informed the commission that she has been asked to defend the County on this issue and will be unable to provide legal council to the commission. Ms. Connor requested the commission consider retaining Mr. Vito LoVerde as council for this issue. Following discussion, Mr. Mack moved to retain Mr. LoVerde as council for the complaint filed by the Sheriff on July 19, 2007 as recommended by Ms. Connor. Motion seconded by Mr. McAndrews and carried with all ayes.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Connor informed the commission that the promotional exams are scheduled for the end of September. Stanard is accommodating one individual that is on active military duty by allowing him to take the written exam upon his return.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The commission entered executive session at 10:40 to discuss personnel matters on motion by Mr. Good. Motion seconded by Ms. Urch and carried with all members voting aye on a roll call vote.

The commission went out of executive session at 10:55 a.m. on motion by Mr. McAndrews. Motion seconded by Ms. Urch and carried with all ayes on a roll call vote.

Mr. McAndrews moved to schedule a status hearing on the complaint filed on July 19, 2007 by the Sheriff at the regularly scheduled meeting on September 12, 2007. Motion seconded by Mr. Goode and carried with all ayes.

The commission discussed the Sheriff's recommendation to suspend the individual that is the subject of the complaint without pay. The commission took a recess at 10:59 a.m. and reconvened at 11:10 a.m.

Ms. Urch moved to table the issue of suspending with or without pay until September 12, 2007. Motion seconded by Mr. Goode. The commission determined that on September 12, 2007, both parties will be allowed 15 minutes to present reasons why

the suspension should be with or without pay. Following discussion, the motion carried with all ayes.

Motion to adjourn at 11:13 a.m. by Mr. McAndrews. Motion seconded by Mr. Mack and carried with all ayes.