



**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL SESSION  
OF THE CITY OF CHARLESTON  
BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

November 9, 2015 @ 3:30 p.m.  
Charleston City Hall  
Basement Conference Room  
520 Jackson Avenue  
Charleston, Illinois

**Members Present**

Reed Benedict, Board Chairman  
Barb Marquis  
Keith Perry

**Members Absent**

**Staff Present**

Police Chief Bryan Baker; Fire Chief Pat Goodwin; Asst. Fire Chief Steve Bennett and Debbie Burkhart, Board Secretary.

**Call to Order**

The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners met in General Session on Monday, November 9, 2015 at 3:30 p.m. in the basement conference room of Charleston City Hall, 520 Jackson Avenue, Charleston, Illinois, with Board Chair Reed Benedict presiding. All members were present.

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*Board Chair Reed Benedict adjourned the meeting to executive session at 3:33 p.m.*

*The Board reconvened at 3:35 p.m.*

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**Approval of Minutes**

**Item #1:** Board Chair Reed Benedict made a motion accept and approve the General Session Minutes of the October 12, 2015 regular meeting. Board Member Keith Perry seconded the motion. Board Member Barb Marquis abstained from voting since she was not present at the meeting. **The motion was carried by a vote of Yeas – 2, Nays – 0, Abstain - 1**

**Item #2:** Board Member Barb Marquis made a motion accept and approve the General Session Minutes of the October 22, 2015 special meeting. Board Chair Reed Benedict seconded the motion. Board Member Keith Perry abstained from voting since he was not present at the meeting. **The motion was carried by a vote of Yeas – 2, Nays – 0, Abstain - 1**

**New Business**

**Item #3:** Board Chair Reed Benedict made a motion accept and approve the psychological examination report for Firefighter-Paramedic Candidate Dustin S. Lowry. Board Member Barb Marquis seconded the motion.

**The motion was carried by a vote of Yeas – 3, Nays – 0**

**Item #4:** Board Member Barb Marquis made a motion accept and approve the physical examination report for Firefighter-Paramedic Candidate Dustin S. Lowry. Board Member Keith Perry seconded the motion.

**The motion was carried by a vote of Yeas – 3, Nays – 0**

**Recommendations for Removal, Hire and Promotion**

**Item #5:** Board Chair Reed Benedict made a motion to hire Firefighter-Paramedic Candidate Dustin S. Lowry with a start date of November 24, 2015. Board Member Barb Marquis seconded the motion.

**The motion was carried by a vote of Yeas – 3, Nays – 0**

**Adjournment:**

Board Chair Reed Benedict made a motion to adjourn at 3:42 p.m. Board Member Keith Perry seconded the motion.

**The motion was carried by a vote of Yeas – 3, Nays – 0**

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Burkhart