

**MUNICIPAL FIRE AND POLICE CIVIL SERVICE
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A meeting of the Lafayette Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board was held on February 14, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the Lafayette Consolidated Government Civil service testing room, 705 West University Avenue, Lafayette, Louisiana. Audio recording of this meeting will become part of the Board's permanent records.

Present at the meeting were Chairman Ron Clark, Christina Olivier, Dwight Prudhomme, Charley Whipp III, Board Attorney Candice Hattan, CAO Racheal Godeaux, SGT. Patrick Pattum, Human Resource Director Rick Zeno, Board Secretary Mary Francis, Ashley White.

Vice Chairman L. Wayne Prejean was not present for the meeting.

Meeting called to order at 9:12 a.m. and opening statement read by Chairman Ron Clark.

1. Board authorization to approve minutes of January 10, 2024 board meeting

Motion was made to approve minutes of January 10, 2024 board meeting by Christina Olivier

Motion seconded by Dwight Prudhomme

Public comment: None

Opposition: None

Motion carried unanimously

2. Board authorization to approve posting notices for Fire Training Officer, Fire Captain, Fire District Chief, Fire Assistant Chief, Fire Dept. Records Clerk, ~~Fire Communications Officer II~~, and Police Major exam

The board agree to remove the Fire Communications Officer II posting notice from approval due to the class holding enough names on the list.

Motion was made to posting notices by Christina Olivier

Motion seconded by Charley Whipp III

Public comment: None

Opposition: None

Motion carried unanimously

3. Board authorization to approve applications for Fire Dept. Records Clerk, Dept. Records Clerk (Police), and Police Sergeant

Motion was made to approve applications by Charley Whipp III

Motion seconded by Christina Olivier

Public comment: None

Opposition: None

Motion carried unanimously

4. Board authorization to approve transfer of score for Police Communications I applicant, Kyra Joseph

Transfer of score applicant, Kyra Joseph, received a valid passing score on the Police Communication Officer I exam on November 7, 2023. Per OSE the score is set to expire on May 14, 2025.

Motion was made to approve transfer by Christina Olivier

Motion seconded by Dwight Prudhomme

Public comment: None

Opposition: None

Motion carried unanimously

5. Board authorization to approve Removal of Names List, if any- None

6. Request for Re-employment of Jeremy Robert from Police Chief Judith Estorge

Motion was made to approve request by Christina Olivier

Motion seconded by Charley Whipp III

Public comment: None

Opposition: None
Motion carried unanimously

7. Request for Re-employment of Cameron Gray from Fire Chief Robert P. Benoit

Motion was made to approve request by Christina Olivier
Motion seconded by Dwight Prudhomme
Public comment: None
Opposition: None
Motion carried unanimously

8. General Board business, if any – None

9. Report of Counsel or legal updates, if any –

Board attorney Ms. Hattan, informed the board that the city's lawsuit against the board was dropped and signed. She also provided an update on the LCG vs. David Stanley case, stating that it had been resolved. However, she mentioned that the Glover matter was sent to the court of appeal due to the case being rejected at district court.

Ms. Hattan also informed the board about the new lawsuit against the board filed by the Fire Training Officer I which will be represented by Attorney Daniel Landry. She advised the board and Secretary to reach out to her if served. She provided insight regarding the suit, noting that the recent board's decision is being appealed, but made aware that the board rules do not contemplate the appeals of the course of action alleged in this matter.

An update was requested from the Board Secretary by Ms. Hattan regarding the charges of overtime and copies regarding public information requests, due to recent requests. The Secretary noted that the current charges for copies are \$0.50 for the first 100 pages and \$1.00 per page afterward. The CAO, Ms. Rachel Godeaux, noted that a meeting will soon be held to revisit more policies and procedures including public records requests.

10. Public Comment - None

Motion to adjourn by Dwight Prudhomme
Motion seconded by Christina Olivier
Public comment: None
Motion carried unanimously
Meeting adjourned at 9:27 am



Ron R. Clark
Chairman