Date: January 20, 2022 **Board of Fire Commission** Time: 5:00 p.m. **Meeting Minutes** Location: Fire Department Headquarters --Note taker: D. Glenn Meeting called by: Chairman Lopez Timekeeper: D. Glenn Type of meeting: Regular Monthly MAR 2 2022 Facilitator: Chief Przekopowski Holyoke City Clerk's Attendees: Jeffrey Trask, George Mettey Holyoke, MA Absent:: Nelson Lopez Staff in Attendance: Chief Jeffrey Przekopowski and Dale Glenn Also:

Chairman Lopez

Discussion: #1 on the agenda Commissioner Trask opened the meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners with a verbal roll call of those present along with a prayer by Commissioner Mettey.

Time: 5:11 pam.

#2 on the agenda - Commissioner Trask stated for the record the Board of Fire Commissioners need to re-organize and a nomination was put forth by Commissioner Mettey for Commissioner Nelson to the position of Chairman; 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Trask. Subsequently, Commissioner Nelson nominated Commissioner Trask for the position of Vice Chairman; 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Mettey.

The 2022 Board of Fire Commissioners are as follows:

Commissioner Lopez - Chairman

Commissioner Trask - Vice Chairman

Commissioner Mettey - Fire Commissioner

#3 adgenda item – Minutes: the Board of Fire Commissioners reviewed the minutes from their December 29, 2021 meeting

#4 Fire Chief's Report -

A. Opening of Meeting

- Injured on Duty/Light Duty
- Personal Sick Leave/Recent Retirement
- Overtime expenditures

Fire Chief Przekopowski updated the Board of Fire Commissioners on the following:

- ARPA funds to cover overtime due to COVID
- 8 New Recruits began their career on 1/18/22
- Hazard Pay and FY22 Fire Equipment Grant
- Thermal Imagers with newer updated technology/Combustible Gas Detector Meters
- Ice rescue sleds Training is almost complete and will be placed into service shortly
- COVID-19 has affected the department however, with protocols and a temporary mask mandate the Chief will
  review again in a few weeks and update the Board at that time.

#5 Old Business - None at this time

#6 New Business - the Board of Fire Commissioners to request a Fire Chief's List

## Motions

Motions: Commissioner Lopez entertained a motion to accept the minutes from December 29, 2021, Commissioner Mettey made the motion and was  $2^{nd}$  by Commissioner Trask; motion carried

Commissioner Lopez entertained a motion to accept the Fire Chief's report, Commissioner Mettey made the motion and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Trask; motion carried.

Commissioner Lopez entertained a motion to request a Fire Chief's list from Civil Service, Commissioner Mettey made the motion and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Trask; motion carried. Roll call vote Commissioner Nelson yes and Commissioner Trask yes and Commissioner Mettey yes; motion carried.

Commissioner Lopez entertained a motion to move into Executive Session for the purposes of seccession planning with the intent to adjourn in executive session without returning to open session. Commissioner Trask made the motion and was  $2^{nd}$  by Commissioner Mettey; motion carried. Moved into Executive Session at 5:35 p.m.