



MINUTES
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 2018

A meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held Tuesday, June 26, 2018. Chairperson Dolores Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm, at the Commissioner's Room located at 118 South Cage Blvd., 2nd Floor, Pharr, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson, Dolores Rodriguez
Vice-Chairperson, Mario Lizcano
Board Member, Vittorio Puente

STAFF PRESENT: Civil Service / HR Director, Anali Alanis
Civil Service / HR Coordinator, Bea Fuentes
Fire Chief, Lenny Perez
Asst. Police Chief Edward Chavez

ITEM 1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson Rodriguez called the meeting to order.

- (a) **ROLL CALL AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE EXCUSING OF ANY ABSENT MEMBER OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**
Roll call established a quorum.

ITEM 2 PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. KC Fletcher strongly objects to County Administration Pct.2 and Costco's driveways being identical red in color with no writing; therefore, unable to give anyone a citation. Fire lane is a safety zone in the jurisdiction of the City of Pharr. Mr. Fletcher objects to noise, light and vibration from Costco and blames city for allowing the dock to be without an appropriate acoustical barrier.

ITEM 3 (a) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON APPROVAL ON MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, MAY 29, 2018.

Vice-Chairperson Lizcano moved to approve minutes as submitted. Board Member Puente seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

ITEM 3 (b) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE RAW AND FINAL SCORES FROM THE PROMOTIONAL EXAM ADMINISTERED FOR SERGEANT FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2018.

Vice-Chairperson Lizcano moved to approve item as submitted. Board Member Puente seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

ITEM 3 (c) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE ELIGIBILITY LIST FROM THE PROMOTIONAL EXAM ADMINISTERED FOR SERGEANT FOR PD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2018.

Vice-Chairperson Lizcano moved to approve item as submitted. Board Member Puente seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

ITEM 4 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS (PD AND FD)

Asst. Chief Edward Chavez announced the ceremony scheduled for Thursday, June 28th at 3pm for the (2) promotional Sergeants and (6) New Peace Officers. PD is in the process of completing (5) backgrounds for individuals who will be attending the STC Police Academy. Pharr Night Out is scheduled for August 25, 2018 on Newcomb Ave. and for the first time in years is being held on a Saturday evening. PD is working with STC on a \$90K grant project that focuses on bringing entities together and incorporates training for interacting with the community, promoting community awareness and policing. Some of the funding will also be used to purchase bicycles and ATV's for neighborhood bike patrol and. PD is also working on amending the physical agility for entry level police officers to encourage more women to apply.

Vice-Chairperson Lizcano commended on hosting Pharr Night Out on a Saturday as opposed to a week night so that families can come enjoy as well as PD and FD on all the efforts during the recent flooding.

Fire Chief Perez reported the abundance of calls that came in due to the rains and flooding, over 145 calls in 2-3 days. People were calling for rescues due to the high waters and being stranded in their vehicles. Construction continues for Station 4 on the South Side, possible completion by the end of this year. Plans continue for construction of Station 1, location undetermined currently. The department will be meeting with the local schools to promote and educate on the things looked for during inspections and what to expect.

Vice-Chairperson Lizcano questioned the number of trucks committed from Hidalgo Co. EMS and how many were dedicated above what FD already had during the recent emergency and how were they monitored to ensure contractual agreement.

Chief Perez reported that the 5 Hidalgo Co. EMS trucks dedicated to Pharr were present and if needed, they were able to bring 1 more truck to assist. Unfortunately, due to the situation and priority being the citizens, there was no monitoring of the actual number of trucks present but recalled seeing 3 for sure.

ITEM 5 CIVIL SERVICE COMMENTS

Member Vittorio Puente Thanked PD and FD for a wonderful job during the time of the flooding.

Chairperson Rodriguez shared how proud she was at how things were handled during the time of the flooding.

ITEM 6 CIVIL SERVICE DIRECTORS REPORT

Director Anali Alanis commends the Fire and Police departments for the efforts during the flooding.

ITEM 7 CLOSED SESSION: IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 551 OF THE TEXAS GOV'T. CODE, THE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HEREBY GIVES NOTICE THAT IT MAY MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE ITEMS LISTED ON THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING AGENDA, INCLUDING ITEM(S) 3-8 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071, 551.074, 551.075, 551.076 AND 551.084

The time being, Chairperson Rodriguez stated the commission would be entering a closed session.

ITEM 8 RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION, AND CONSIDER ACTION, IF NECESSARY ON ANY ITEM(S) DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The time being_____, Chairperson stated the commission would be resuming the open meeting.

No Action

ITEM 9 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before, Vice-Chairperson Lizcano moved to adjourn. It was seconded by Board Member Puente and when put to a vote the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 4:25 pm.


Chairperson Dolores Rodriguez


Vice-Chairperson Mario Lizcano


Board Member Vittorio Puente