

Muncie Fire Merit Commission

November 14, 2024 Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President, Andrew Dale.

Members Present: President, Andrew Dale, Vice President, Linda Gray, Mike Whited, and Kevin Coley.

Others present: Attorney, Mark Ervin, Chief, Dan Burford and Recording Secretary, and Samara White.

Approval of the October 10, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes:

After review from the commission, Mike Whited moved to accept the minutes as presented, Linda Gray seconded, and the October 10, 2024 meeting minutes were accepted with a unanimous vote.

Chief Dan Burford:

Promotions:

With the retirement of Lieutenant Bradly Golden, effective on November 18, 2024, Chief Burford respectfully asked for the top three names on the Lieutenants promotional list to be read. President Dale read the following three names from the list: Andrew Smalley, Caleb Maddox and Douglas Nethaway. Chief Burford then requested that the commission promote Andrew Smalley to the rank of Lieutenant. Mike Whited made the motion to accept, Linda Gray seconded, the commission came to the unanimous vote to accept.

With Andrew Smalley's promotion, opened a Sergeant's position on the floor. Chief Burford again asked respectfully for the top three names on the Sergeant's promotional list be read. Kevin Coley read the following three names from the Lieutenant promotional list: Brayden Fields, Michael Lehman, and Jordan Dulaney. Chief Burford respectfully requested that the commission promote Brayden Fields to the rank of Sergeant. Linda Gray, made the motion to accept, Mike Whited seconded and the commission accepted unanimously.

Chief Burford then presented Lieutenant Andrew Smalley, and Sergeant Brayden Fields with their collared pins.

Comments:

Mike Whited notified the MFMC meeting about a fire that our department responded to and that he had witnessed. Mike Whited stated that the personnel on scene did a miraculous job with the search and rescue, and quickly diminished the fire. Chief Burford informed Mike Whited and the MFMC members that he would let their battalion chief know.

Former MFMC member, Andrew Popp addressed the MFMC members, and meeting attendees on his what seemed abrupt leaving. Andrew Popp stated that he wanted to verbally explain respectfully that he had an opportunity to go back to school, and with the MFMC not having dier business, it was the best timing for him. Andrew Popp also stated that he enjoyed working with the MFMC and the Muncie Fire Department.

Motion to adjourn made by Kevin Coley at 6:09pm, seconded by Linda Gray, and MFMC voted unanimously to accept the adjournment.