

CITY OF LOCKPORT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING – OFFICIAL RECORD

Site: M-24

June 26th, 2025 – 4:00pm

Present: Denise Michel, Michael Tucker, John Craig, Sienna Marren, Common Council President Kitty Fogle, Chief Quagliano and John Roessler.

Also present: DCC Anthony Serianni, Clerk Stoddard

Call to Order: Comm. Michel called the meeting to order at 4:01pm.

Comm. Michel led the Board in the pledge.

Approval of minutes:

Motion made by Comm. Craig to accept the minutes from 5/6/25 and seconded by Comm. Tucker. Ayes 4. Carried.

Old Business – n/a

New Business:

-24hr shifts – Chief Quagliano will cover in Chief's report

-Fire station feasibility study RFP- Chief Quagliano will cover in Chief's report

Chief's Agenda:

1. **2nd Alarm Incidents** – Jiffy Mart 5/29/25
2. **Boats in-service.** One will be stationed at Lock 35 and the other at the Canal Tours dock off Market St.
3. **24 hour shift change possibility**
 - a. 70% of Fire stations nationwide are now scheduling this way
 - b. Currently there are 4 platoons, total of 54 Fire fighters
 - c. Comm. Craig raised the issue of sleep deprivation and whether it could be an issue
 - d. Most of the firefighters are on board because they feel it will give them more time with their families
 - e. Figuring an average of 12-13 calls per 24hr shift
 - f. This would mean less days away from home
 - g. A concern was brought up regarding Hazard pay. Chief states hazard pay is in relation to working below minimum manning, not a shift schedule

- h. To do the change legally there would need to be an MOA signed by the Mayor and ratified by the Common Council.

4. RFP for a possible new fire station

- a. After receiving the bids Chief is considering bringing the bidders in to interview to get more specifics on what they're offering with their bids
- b. Potential new space for Fire and Building Maintenance would clear out the storage at Outwater Park and building on Transit.
- c. The City would benefit from a building designed as an actual fire station, not a multi-use municipal building that has been outgrown.

5. Promotional Exam eligibility changes- Civil Service Commission asked the Fire Chief & Fire Board to re-evaluate the other rank specs since the Lieutenant spec was recently updated.

- a. Fire Captain exam- change time to: "Fire Lieutenant for not less than (2) years" and add AEMTP mirror the "Qualifying Experience" language from the MTO spec.
 - i. Motion made by Comm. Tucker to accept the proposed change. Seconded by Comm. Craig. Ayes 4.
- b. Asst. Chief exam – add "Qualifying Experience language from MTO spec for AEMTP requirement.
 - i. Motion made by Comm. Marren to accept the change. Seconded by Comm. Craig. Ayes 4.
- c. Chief exam– change items under Qualifying Experience: 5 years to 3 years as Captain, remove Municipal Training Officer eligibility language, add 10 years overall employment within LFD, and AEMTP language to mirror the MTO job spec.
 - i. Motion made by Comm. Craig to accept changes. Seconded by Comm. Marren. Ayes 3, Nays 1. Comm. Tucker opposed.

Comm. Tucker made a motion to go into Executive session for personnel at 4:45pm. Comm. Craig seconded the motion. Ayes 4.

Common Council President Fogle requested to stay for executive session. Corporation Counsel advised against the request. President Fogle left the meeting.

Commission Tucker made a motion to exit executive session. Seconded by Marren. Ayes 4.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Comm. Marren at 4:50pm. Seconded by Comm. Tucker. Ayes 4.

The next regular meeting of the Fire Board will be on June 3rd at 4:00pm.

Respectfully,
Emily Stoddard

City Clerk

**CC: Fire Board, Chief Quagliano, Mayor Lombardi, Common Council and
Corporation Counsel**