Lake in the Hills Special Police Commission Meeting Meeting Minutes, Including Executive Session Meeting Minutes, February 26, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Chairman DeSantis at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present were Chairman DeSantis, Commissioner Haugk and Commissioner Lawson.

Also present were Chief of Police Mary Frake, Deputy Chief Matthew Mannino, Special Attorney for the Police Department—Mollie Dahlin, Police Officer Eric Lee, Attorney for Officer Lee—Laura Scarry, and Village Attorney Brad Stewart

A motion to enter executive session, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)1 & 11, to discuss discipline of specific employees and pending administrative tribunal was made by Commissioner Lawson at 7:05 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Haugk. All Commissioners voted in favor. Motion passed.

Executive Session

Closed session was convened at 7:08 p.m. Present were Chairman DeSantis, Commissioner Haugk and Commissioner Lawson.

Also present were Chief of Police Mary Frake, Deputy Chief Matthew Mannino, Special Attorney for the Police Department—Mollie Dahlin, Police Officer Eric Lee, Attorney for Officer Lee—Laura Scarry, and Village Attorney Brad Stewart

The hearing resumed from the February 21, 2024, date regarding the appeal of the disciplinary suspension issued to Officer Lee. The hearing concluded at or around 10:40 p.m., at which point the Commissioners deliberated as to the decision of the Commission.

A motion to exit closed session was made by Chairman DeSantis, seconded by Commissioner Haugk at 11:21 p.m. All Commissioners voted in favor. Motion passed.

Roll Call

The resumed meeting was called to order by Chairman DeSantis at 11:28 p.m. Present for the resumed open meeting were Chairman DeSantis, Commissioner Haugk and Commissioner Lawson.

Also present were Chief of Police Mary Frake, Deputy Chief Pat Boulden, Deputy Chief Matthew Mannino, Special Attorney for the Police Department—Mollie Dahlin, Police Officer Eric Lee, Attorney for Officer Lee—Laura Scarry, and Village Attorney Brad Stewart

Further Action

The preliminary determination of the Commission was announced that the Commission was vacating the disciplinary suspension, and that a formal written decision would be rendered in the near future.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Adjournment

As there was no other business to discuss, Chairman DeSantis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Haugk seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:34 p.m.

Minutes were prepared by Village Attorney Brad Stewart