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Michigan City Fire Merit Commission Regular Meeting Minutes: July 6, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm. All in attendance were asked to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Those in attendance were Commissioners Adrian, Deutscher, and Butcher. Absent were Commissioners Harvey and Espar. Also, present was Fire Chief Barrett Taylor and Attorney Cory Schoffner. (at this time Commissioner Harvey arrives)

Approval of the Minutes- Commissioner Adrian asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the June 1, 2026 Regular Meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Deutscher and was seconded by Commissioner Harvey. **All in favor: 4 Ayes; 0 Nays Motion Carried 4-0**

Payroll and Claims- Commissioner Deutscher addressed the Payroll from June 2026 in the amount of \$450.00 Claims for June 2026 in the amount of \$500.00. Commissioner Harvey made a motion to approve the Payroll and Claims as presented, and Commissioner Deutscher seconded the motion. **All in favor: 4 Ayes; 0 Nays Motion Carried 4-0**

Report from Michigan City Common Council- Commissioner Deutscher asked if Council Woman Daisy Lee received his email; the answer was yes but that there has not been any discussion on the topic. Ms. Lee stated that she would follow up with Kelly.

Report from Commission Attorney- No Report

Report from Fire Chief- Chief Taylor started with the run data for June 2026:

There was a total of 456 calls

Fires	21
Hazardous Situations	22
Medical	290
Public Service	41
Non-Emergency	77

Narcan was used 6 times

Fire Chief Barrett Taylor started by addressing the anniversaries for the month of June. They are as follows:

Battalion Chief John Mellen	32 Years
Fire Chief Barrett Taylor	23 Years
Lieutenant Christen Bietry	17 Years
Captain Jenna Tepavceвич	11 Years
Lieutenant Nick Pabon	11 years
Training Officer William Sonntag	11 Years
Driver/Operator Christopher Blake	9 Years
Officer Manager Jenny Clouse	9 Years
Firefighter Josiah Griffin	2 Years

Report from Local 475- President Zibutis had no reports but wanted to let the commissioners know about the annual golf outing.

Old Business- None

New Business-The Commissioner Butcher asked the chief if the department was doing anything at the beach as far as putting extra guys at the beach for patrols. Chief Taylor stated no that the department has enough lifeguards to handle the shifts and calls, also adding that the only reason the department put extra guys out on the beach was because there were not enough lifeguards employed at that time.

Public Comments-None

Commissioner Comments-Commissioner Adrian asked Commissioner Butcher to make an appointment with the Training Officer and set up a meeting with all the commissioners to go over the upcoming New Hire Testing.

With no other business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Harvey at 5:10 PM and seconded by Commissioner Deutscher. All in favor: 4 Ayes; 0 Nays Motion Carried 4-0

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 3, 2026 at 5:00 pm.

Michigan City Fire Merit Commission Members:

Alan Harvey	(Mayor Appointment 2/26/2026-11/1/2026)
William Espar	(Council Appointment; 5/21/2024-12/31/2026)
Fred Adrian	(Mayor Appointment; 1/2/2024-1/1/2028)
Larry Butcher	(Firefighter Appointment; (3/2/2026-10/31/2028)

Greg Deutscher

(Firefighter Appointment; 1/15/2025-12/31/2028)

Approved By: _____

Fred K. Adrian

Date: _____

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