

The Lorain Civil Service Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. in Lorain Council Chambers – First Floor Lorain City Hall.

Present: Juanita Senquiz, President; Victor Takacs, Vice-President, Joseph Smith, Secretary, and Sgt. Tomlin

Rose Maffei, Administrative Assistant

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

The President called for the Election of Officers for 2026. The nomination of **Mrs. Juanita Senquiz** to the office of **Vice-President** was made by Mr. Takacs. A motion was made by Mr. Takacs and seconded Mr. Smith to appoint Mrs. Senquiz to the office of Vice-President for the Lorain Civil Service Commission for 2026. Motion carried 3-0.

The nomination of **Mr. Victor Takacs** to the office of **Secretary** was made by Mrs. Senquiz. A motion was made by Mrs. Senquiz and seconded by Mr. Smith to appoint Mr. Takacs to the office of Secretary for the Lorain Civil Service Commission for 2026. Motion carried 3-0.

The nomination of **Mr. Joseph Smith** to the office of **President** was made by Mr. Takacs. A motion was made by Mrs. Senquiz and seconded by Mr. Takacs to appoint Mr. Smith to the office of President for the Lorain Civil Service Commission for 2026. Motion carried 3-0.

SET MEETING DATES:

On a motion made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mrs. Senquiz the 2026 Lorain Civil Service Meetings shall take place on the second Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. in Lorain Council Chambers on the first floor of Lorain City Hall (beginning in March). The Commission continues to reserve the right to adjust the date, time and location as needed. Motion carried 3-0.

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

On a motion made by Mr. Takacs and seconded by Mr. Smith, the Minutes from the November 18, 2025, Civil Service meeting were certified and signed. Motion carried 3-0.

On a motion made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mrs. Senquiz, the Minutes from the December 16, 2025, Civil Service meeting were certified and signed. Motion carried 2-0. (Mr. Takacs was not present at this meeting and therefore abstained from this vote.)

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

A motion was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Takacs to receive and file all

correspondence received since the last meeting of December 16, 2025, including Mr. Smith's reappointment letter the Lorain Civil Service Commission. Motion carried 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE SENT:

Ltr. to Mr. Rey Carrion, Safety Service Director, (12/19/25) unanimously approving the Exceptional appointment of Mr. Christopher Yates to the position of State Certified Building Inspector in the Lorain Building, Housing and Planning Department.

Ltr. to Mr. Rey Carrion, Safety Service Director, (12/19/25) unanimously approving the Exceptional appointment of Mr. Miguel Baez to the full-time position of Police Officer in the Lorain Police Department.

Ltr. to Mr. Rey Carrion, Safety Service Director, (12/19/25) unanimously approving the appointment of Mr. Jordan Barnard to the position of Laborer I in the Street division of the Lorain Public Property Department per Ohio Administrative Code 123: 1-17-01 C (4)(6).

Ltrs. to Tia Kearney, Lorain City Schools Treasurer releasing the classified payroll for Lorain City Schools for 12/26/25, 1/9/26, 1/23/26, 2/06/26, and 2/20/26.

Ltr. to Joe Koziura, City of Lorain Auditor releasing the classified payroll for the City of Lorain for 12/26/25.

Ltr. to Anita Harper, City of Lorain Auditor releasing the classified payrolls for the City of Lorain for 1/09/26, 1/23/26, 2/06/26 and 2/20/26.

Ltrs. to Captain Mark Stack, Firefighter Brennan Muhic and Firefighter Nathan Grys for assisting in the administration of the entry level Firefighter exam held on November 17, 2025.

PERSONNEL CORRESPONDENCE:

Agenda item 8 (a) Request from Safety Service Director Carrion for the Exceptional appointment of Mr. Rich Resendez to the part-time position of Police Officer in the Lorain Police Department per Ohio Revised Code 124.30 A(2).

Sgt. Tomlin: Yes, we're requesting to waive the provision of duty which requires competitive testing based on the education and experience needed for this position.

Mr. Takacs: "So a significant amount of education is needed for this position?"

Mr. Smith replied that it does in fact require OPOTA (Ohio Police Officer Training Academy) certification.

Mr. Takacs: "Based on the education, licensing, and training, I make a motion to waive the provision of duty which requires competitive testing per Ohio Revised Code 124. 30 and seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion carried 3-0.

Sgt. Tomlin: “In regards to the candidate, Richard Resendez, I could probably filibuster your meeting with his accolades over his extensive career: former Lieutenant with the Lorain Police Department; former Captain with the Lorain County Sheriff’s Department; graduated at the F.B.I. Academy and most recently served as our Background Investigator and presented cases to the grand jury in Lorain County Common Pleas Court on behalf of the department. We would be bringing him back as a part-time Police Officer fulfilling one of the roles he filled prior to leaving us and that is presenting testimony at the grand jury court.”

Mr. Takacs: “I’m sold.”

Mrs. Senquiz: “I think we’re all sold on that!”

Mr. Smith: “Absolutely. Just one thing. He’s not going to have to undergo the polygraph, etc.?”

Sgt. Tomlin: “No, Sir. He has over a little more than 60 days break in service and he’s coming back into the same role that he left.

Mr. Smith: “In that case, I will make a motion that we approve the Exceptional appointment of Mr. Richard Resendez to the part-time position of Police Officer in the Lorain Police Department per Ohio Revised Code 124.30 A(2); motion was seconded by Mr. Takacs. Motion carried 3-0.

THE FOLLOWING CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRED NO ACTION BY THE COMMISSION:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECT.</u>
Ron Adams	Utilities Purification	Retire fr Asst Supt pos	01/23/2026
Rudy Arce	Police	Ex Appt PT PoliceOfficer	12/17/2025
Miguel Baez	Police	Ex Appt Police Officer	12/17/2025
Jordan Barnard	Street	OACApt Laborer Gr 11.90	12/29/2025
Brandon Bratovich	Police	Resigned fr PoliceOffer pos	01/07/2026
Lawrence Buccilli	Utilities Purification	Recls Millwr3 w/bkflowGr 30	11/21/2025
Demea Edwards	Police	PermAppt PoliceOffer	01/13/2026
Nicara Garcia	BHP Housing	Reclass HsgFinSp Gr	01/06/2026
Terriana Henderson	Police	PermAppt Dispatcher	01/20/2026
Courtney Hengartner	Police	PermAppt Dispatcher	01/06/2026
Randy Hutchinson	Police	PermAppt Dispatcher	01/20/2026
Tyler Keith	Fire	Recls 3 rd yr Firefighter	01/09/2026
Reiko Lucente	BHP Building	ReclsAdminTech Gr 22.95	12/23/2025
John Masin	Fire	Recls Firefighter Perm	12/12/2025
Peyton Maslowski	Utilities BRWWTP	Recls OIT Gr 22.95	12/30/2025
John Miller	Firefighter	Terminated	01/13/2026
Ciprian Ortiz	Utilities BRWWTP	Recls Millwr I w/bkflw Gr 29	11/21/2025
Gregory Pugh	Utilities PQM	Recls Operator 3 w/cert Gr32	12/04/2025

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Kaydence Roelle	Utilities Billing	Recls AcctRepTr Gr 16.95	11/27/2025
Amelia Sas	Police	PermAppt Dispatcher	01/10/2026
Matthew Spinner	Fire	Recls Perm Firefighter	12/29/2025
Christopher Yates	BHP Building	ExAppt Cert BldgInsp Gr 28	12/29/2025

POSTINGS:

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>DATE POSTED</u>
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None

REPORTS:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

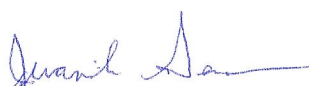
On a motion made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Takacs the Commission approved the payment of the bills. Motion carried 3-0.

On a motion by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Takacs the payrolls for the City of Lorain and the Lorain Board of Education were approved providing they are in accord with standard Civil Service policy and procedures. Motion carried 3-0.

On a motion made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Takacs, the next regular meeting of the Lorain Civil Service Commission will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. in Lorain Council Chambers. Motion carried 3-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mrs. Senquiz to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting was adjourned at 5:08 p.m.


***ALL REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR GIVING NOTICE AND NOTIFICATIONS OF THE MEETING WERE COMPLIED WITH UNDER SECTION 121.22 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE.**



JUANITA SENQUIZ
PRESIDENT



VICTOR TAKACS
VICE-PRESIDENT



JOSEPH SMITH
SECRETARY