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COMMISSIONER APPLICATION

- Plan Commission
- Veterans' Committee
- Civil Service Commission
- Events Committee
- Police Pension Board
- Beautification Committee

Name: MILES WILLIAM BARLER Phone: [REDACTED]

Home Address: [REDACTED] CREST HILL, 60403

Years as Crest Hill Resident: 4 1/2 Registered Voter: YES

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Present Employer: RETIRED Position: N/A

College or University, if appropriate: 2 YEAR DEGREE, CITY COLLEGE OF CHICAGO

Degree and Major: ASSOCIATE DEGREE: LAW ENFORCEMENT

Previous experiences related to Commission of interest:

ASSOCIATE DEGREE: LAW ENFORCEMENT, EXPLORER SCOUT POLICE PROGRAM - 3 YRS.

Current membership in local organizations and offices held:

MEDINAH SHRINERS: HOSPITAL LAISON, GREETERS CLUB, ANTIQUE CAR CLUB, POTENTIALS AIDE, "ROARING '57'S"

Past membership in local organizations and offices held: CARILLON LAKES VETERANS' CLUB

OAKLAWN MASONIC LODGE: SENIOR WARDEN - 10 YRS ASSOCIATE MEDINAH SHRINERS: 10 YRS, PRES. "ROARING '57'S" - 2016 + 20. MEMBER

Please attach resume and letter of intent and add additional pertinent information you feel would exemplify you as a Commission member - Why do you want to serve?

I FEEL IT IS A CITIZEN'S OBLIGATION TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN THEIR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, TO MAKE MEANINGFUL CHANGES AND BENEFIT THEIR COMMUNITY.

Miles "Bill" Barler
Signature

4/18/26
Date

Return Application to: Raymond R. Soliman, Mayor

Resume for Miles "Bill" Barler

To raysoliman@comcast.net · Raymond Soliman <rsoliman@cityofcresthill.com> Copy

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RESUME FOR MILES "BILL" BARLER

EDUCATION:

1970: Graduated Gage Park High School - Chicago IL.

1970 - 1972: Chicago Junior College, Bogan Campus. Received Associates Degree in Law Enforcement.

1972 - 1977: Took classes part-time at Moraine Valley College while working full time.

EMPLOYMENT:

1968 - 1972: City of Chicago Public Library, worked as stock boy, restocking and organizing books and periodicals.

1972 - 1979: Central Steel & Wire Company, Chicago. Job responsibilities included loading of trucks for delivery of products to customers. Overseeing the loading and unloading of trucks, approximately 95 per 8 hour shift. At this time I was working the midnite to 8:00 shift. Moved to day shift in 1974. Where i supervised the operation of 3 steel cutting and slitting machines. On 7/11/77, I was severely injured while checking the status of a machine used to cut steel coils into sheets. The injury caused the amputation of the 4 fingers on my right hand. After 2 years of rehabilitation and 11 reconstructive surgeries, I was left with partial fingers on the right hand. After returning to work at Central Steel, I was offered a janatorial position. Deciding this was not my future, I left CS&W for other opportunities.

1980 - 1985: Commercial Services Inc., Elmhurst, IL.. This was a local company working in the Midwest. With approximately 95 field staff. Work involved doing commercial property inspections for major insurance companies (including Aetna, Cigna, Industrial Risk Insurers, and others). We would arrive at a risk, make a detailed evaluation of the type of construction the building was, then make an interior review of the occupancy, related hazards such as flammable liquids storage, spray painting and processes such plastics or fiberglass work, workman's comp and health hazards. Also, evaluated were issues such as property protection, fire sprinklers, portable extinguishers, other fire suppression equipment, along with the local fire department and hydrant distance and location. I then compiled this information into a comprehensive report which was sent to the requesting insurance carrier, for their use in evaluating their risk regarding insuring an individual property.

In 1983 I was promoted from field inspector to supervisor, among my duties, included review of field work, answering questions from both field inspectors and customers, as well as training new hires.

1985 - 2011: Insurance Services Office: Chicago, IL.. This was a nationwide company established in 1878 after the Great Chicago Fire to help to mitigate the risk of insuring commercial properties. The company had 29 offices across the country and over 950+ field staff. Starting Work at "ISO", responsibilities were similar to those at Commercial Services. Inspecting commercial properties and preparing reports for major insurance companies. I was required to follow a very specific set of rules and regulations set forth by our training in preparing these reports. Knowing full well that an incomplete or inaccurate report, could result in catastrophic property loss and even injury or death to employees or first responders. I was also responsible for doing ride alongs with field staff for quality review purposes. In 1990 I was promoted to IN-House Field Inspector whose responsibilities included answering technical questions for field staff, phone questions from customers, and accompanying our sales staff on customer calls to answer specific questions.

In 1993 i was promoted to a position of national trainer. This made me and 3 other trainers responsible for design, development, and delivery of new and refresher training material for our 950+ field people. I traveled the country conducting training classes which ran from 2 days to 3 weeks.

After 6 years on the road, in 1999 I returned to the Chicago office as line supervisor for our quality review unit. Overseeing the work of 8 quality review analysts, along with providing technical assistance to the field staff in the western half of the country. These responsibilities were my primary duties, although I continued to do customer calls with our sales staff and field ride alongs until my retirement in July of 2011.

I participated in many courses/classes in my 26 year career with Insurance Services Office, including but not limited to:

CPCU: Certified Property Casualty Underwriter (10 semesters of class)

CFPE: Certified Fire Protection Engineer (8 semesters of class)

PTD: Professional Trainers Designation (4 semesters of training)

Fire Protection & Suppression Systems - IRI (4 weeks of training)

Basics of Building Construction (1 week of training)

Advance Building Construction (1 week of training)

Construction and The Effects of Fire (2 weeks of training)

ACTIVITIES:

I have been an active member of the Riverside Masonic Lodge and the Medinah Shriners for 15 years. As a Shriner we do 45-50 parades a year to help support the 26 Shriner's Hospitals across the country. Our parade unit is the "Roaring '57s", in which we drive go-karts bodied as 1957 Chevys. I have held several positions in the Shrine including Aide to the Potentate, parade manager and twice president of the "Roaring '57s", member of the Greeters, Antique Car Club and others.

Both my wife and I are avid car nuts, we have owned several classic cars over our 52 years of marriage. We belong to several car clubs in the area.