

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD



BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

DATE OF MEETING: May 10, 2022

To: Village President and Board of Trustees

Through: Napoleon Haney – Village Manager

From: Denise McGrath, Chief of Police

Topic: Oath of Office – Ryan Bischoff and Samantha Nissen – Police Officer

PURPOSE

Administer the oath of office to Officer Ryan Bischoff and Officer Samantha Nissen for the position of Police Officer.

PROCESS

The Homewood Fire and Police Commission met on March 21, 2022 to consider issuing a conditional letter of offer to two candidates from the current Entry Level Police Officer Eligibility List (list expires on November 19, 2022). The Police and Fire Commission reviewed the candidate's background reports and unanimously voted in the affirmative to issue a conditional letter of offer to both candidates. The candidates could then be hired pending their successful completion of a polygraph exam, psychological exam and physical fitness test. The tests are conducted by third party contractors. Both candidates passed all tests and exams and were hired by the Homewood Police Department.

The Newly Hired Officers:

Ryan Bischoff graduated from St. Rita High School in 2009. He obtained a Bachelor of Arts in Law Enforcement and Justice Administration from Western Illinois University, with a minor in Homeland Security. Ofc. Bischoff was previously employed by the State of Illinois in the Comptroller's office.

Samantha Nissen graduated from Beecher High School in 2011. She obtained a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Florida Gulf Coast University in 2015. She obtained a Master of Science in Organizational Psychology from Keiser University in 2019. Ofc. Nissen previously worked in the food service industry.

OUTCOME

Ryan Bischoff and Samantha Nissen were hired as full time police officers effective May 2, 2022. Officers Bischoff and Nissen are currently attending the 14-week Basic Recruit Training at the Cook County Sheriff's Police Training Academy. Upon graduations, they will begin the 15-week Homewood Police Department Field Training Program.

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We welcome Officer Ryan Bischoff and Officer Samantha Nissen to the Homewood Police Department and Village of Homewood.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

- **Funding Source:** General Fund, Police Department

LEGAL REVIEW

Not required

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION

Request the Village Clerk to administer the Oath of Office to Officer Ryan Bischoff and Officer Samantha Nissen for the position of Police Officer.

ATTACHMENT(S)

None