

ORDINANCE 2007- 32

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF
VERNON HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS,
AMENDING CHAPTER 17, SECTION 17-34
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE
VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, RELATIVE
TO THE OFFICES AND RANKS IN THE
POLICE DEPARTMENT.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I. Chapter 17, Section 17-34 of the code of Ordinance of the Village of Vernon Hills be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 17-34. Offices and Rank.

There is hereby created the office of Police Chief. The Police Chief shall be appointed and may be removed by the President and Board of Trustees. Having been effective as of May 1, 2007 there are hereby created further, the offices (ranks) of five (5) Commanders, six (6) Sergeants, and thirty-four (34) Patrol Officers in the 2007/2008 budget. Such members of the police department other than the Chief of Police shall hold such rank as shall be appointed him by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners and from time to time according to the law.

The Chief of Police may appoint two (2) Deputy Chiefs. The Deputy Chief position shall be an exempt rank immediately below that of Chief. The Deputy Chief may be appointed from any rank of sworn, full-time officers of the municipality's police department, but must have at least (5) years of full-time service as a police officer in that department. A Deputy Chief shall serve at the discretion of the Chief and, if removed from the position shall revert to the rank held immediately prior to appointment to the Deputy Chief position. The salary of Deputy Chief shall be established annually by the President and Village Board. The position of Deputy Chief shall be exempt from any review or control by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.

SECTION II. SEVERABILITY. In the event that any section, clause, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be found and determined to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, all valid parts that are severable from the invalid parts shall remain in full force and effect. If any part of this ordinance is found to be invalid in any one or more of its several applications that are severable from the invalid applicants shall remain in effect.

SECTION III. REPEAL AND SAVINGS CLAUSE. All ordinance of parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall affect any rights, actions or causes of action which shall have accrued to the Village of Vernon Hills prior to the effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be in full force and effective from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

SECTION V. PUBLICATION. This ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form in the manner provided by law.

SECTION VI. ORDINANCE NUMBER. This ordinance shall be known as Ordinance Number 2007-32.

Adopted by roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 4-Marquardt, Schultz, Schwartz, Williams

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2-Hebda, Koch

Roger L. Byrne
Village President

PASSED: 4/25/2006

APPROVED: 4/25/2007

PUBLISHED IN PAMPHLET FORM: 4/26/2007

ATTEST:

Linda Pelletier
Village Clerk