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WYOMING COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE
EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Police Chief (Type A)

Exam #64721 OC

SALARY: Varies within villages

EXAMINATION TO BE HELD:

March 14, 2020

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED TO:

February 7, 2020 by 4:00pm in
this office or postmarked by 2/7/20.

ISSUED: January 7, 2020

LOCATION OF POSITION: The resulting eligible list from this examination will be used to fill vacancies as they occur within Wyoming County Villages.

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT: Candidates must have been legal residents of Wyoming County for at least one (1) month immediately preceding the date of the written examination, and must have continued their residency through the period leading to their initial appointment.

CERTIFICATION: Preference in appointment may be given to candidates who presently reside in a civil division or district where the appointment is to be made in accordance with provisions of Sec. 23 (4-a) of Civil Service Law. First consideration will be given to the promotional list within the appropriate village.

DUTIES: This is a highly important administrative position involving direct responsibility for all police functions, and requiring the ability to plan and direct law enforcement activities. The incumbent has charge of all the activities of the police department. The work is performed in accordance with policies and objectives established by the appointing authority allowing wide leeway for the exercise of independent judgment in maintaining high standards of performance. Does related work as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- A) A Bachelors Degree In Criminal Justice, Police Science or a related field, with one (1) year of experience with an organized police force or law enforcement agency in accordance with Section 58 1-b of the New York State Civil Service Law; **OR**
- B) An Associates Degree in Criminal Justice, Police Science or a related field, with two (2) years of experience with an organized police force or law enforcement agency in accordance with Section 58 1-b of the New York State Civil Service Law; **OR**
- C) Graduation from high school and four (4) years of experience with an organized police force or law enforcement agency in accordance with Section 58 1-b of the New York State Civil Service Law.

Subjects of examination- A written test to evaluate knowledge, skills and/or abilities in the following areas:

1. Knowledge of law enforcement methods, practices and procedures

These questions test for knowledge of accepted police methods and practices and/or their application to situations in the police field. The questions are a sampling of the various knowledge that police personnel may be required to possess in the course of their day-to-day work-related activities. Areas covered include investigation procedures, patrol techniques, police-community relations, courtroom procedures, personnel practices, policy making and budgeting procedures.

2. Knowledge of New York State laws - criminal

These questions test the candidates' knowledge of the laws in effect on January 1, 2020. This portion of the test is a sampling of the various sections of the law that police personnel may encounter in the course of their day-to-day work-related activities. Laws covered may include the Penal Law, Criminal Procedure Law, Vehicle and Traffic Law, Family Court Act, and other laws relevant to law enforcement in New York State.

3. Administration - Police

These questions test for knowledge of the managerial functions involved in directing an A level police department. These questions cover such areas as: developing objectives and formulating policies; making decisions based on the context of the administrator's position and authority; forecasting and planning; organizing; developing personnel; coordinating and informing; guiding and leading; testing and evaluating; and budgeting.

4. Supervision

These questions test for knowledge of the principles and practices employed in planning, organizing, and controlling the activities of a work unit toward predetermined objectives. The concepts covered, usually in a situational question format, include such topics as assigning and reviewing work; evaluating performance; maintaining work standards; motivating and developing subordinates; implementing procedural change; increasing efficiency; and dealing with problems of absenteeism, morale, and discipline.

5. Understanding and interpreting written material

These questions test how well you comprehend written material. You will be provided with brief reading selections and will be asked questions about the selections. All the information required to answer the questions will be presented in the selections; you will not be required to have any special knowledge relating to the subject areas of the selections.

6. Preparing written material in a police setting

These questions test for the ability to prepare the types of reports and communications that police personnel write. Some questions test for the ability to present information clearly and accurately. They consist of restatements of information given in note form. You must choose the best version from each set of four choices. Other questions test for the ability to organize paragraphs. They consist of paragraphs with their sentences out of order. For each of the paragraphs you must choose, from four suggestions, the best order for the sentences.

A Police Chief / Assistant Police Chief Series Test Guide for this examination is available on the New York State Department of Civil Service website at www.cs.state.ny.us/testing/localtestguides.cfm. Candidates are encouraged to visit this website to view or obtain a copy of this publication. Candidates not having access to a computer or the web can obtain a copy of the Test Guide by contacting the Municipal Civil Service Office administering the examination using the contact information given elsewhere on this announcement.

Candidates are **PROHIBITED** from using calculators for this examination.

SABBATH OBSERVERS/DISABLED CANDIDATES/MILITARY MEMBERS: If special arrangements for testing are required, indicate this on your application. Any member of the Armed Forces of the United States of America, who having duly filed an application to compete in a scheduled competitive examination for Civil Service employment by the State of New York or any of its subdivisions and who due to active military duty is deprived of the opportunity to compete in such examination shall be provided with an opportunity to compete, under terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the State Department of Civil Service or Municipal Commission, by way of a special military make-up examination.

This examination will be prepared and rated in accordance with Section 23-2 of the Civil Service Law. The provisions of the New York State Civil Service Law, Rules and Regulations dealing with the preparation and rating of examinations will apply to this examination.

Current members of the Armed Forces may apply for Veteran's credits by filing an Application for Veteran's Credits (Form VC-1). Proof of military status must also be presented and verified in order for consideration of granting of conditional Veteran's credit. Acceptable proof may include a military I.D. card, military orders, or others official military document that substantiates active military service at time of exam. This documentation and VC-1 Form must be received prior to the establishment of the Eligible List for this examination. The conditional status of the additional credits will remain until proof is provided indicating that the service was in time of war and that the veteran received an honorable discharge, or was released under honorable circumstances.

VETERANS: Disabled and non-disabled war veterans who are eligible for additional credits must submit an application for veteran credits with **EACH** application for examination. Candidates who wish to claim veteran credits on an examination should request an application and information sheet from the Wyoming County Civil Service Office. Veterans application forms will also be available upon request at the examination center. The completed forms must be received before the eligible list for this examination is established in order to utilize additional credits.

In conformance with section 85-a of the Civil Service Law, children of firefighters and police officers killed in the line of duty shall be entitled to receive an additional ten points in a competitive examination for original appointment in the same municipality in which his or her parent has served. If you are qualified to participate in this examination and are a child of a firefighter or police officer killed in the line of duty in this municipality, please inform this office of this matter when you

submit your application for examination. A candidate claiming such credit has a minimum of two months from the application deadline to provide the necessary documentation to verify additional credit eligibility. However, no credit may be added after the eligible list has been established.

APPLICATION FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED AT THE
WYOMING COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE OFFICE
338 N. Main St., Thomson Hall
Warsaw, New York 14569
Telephone: 786-8830

Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

OR DOWNLOAD AN APPLICATION AT www.wyomingco.net (click on the civil service link)

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APPLICATION FEE POLICY

APPLICATION FEE:

You need to file a \$25.00 processing fee for EACH exam you are applying for. The required fee MUST accompany your application.

- Send check or money order payable to the "Wyoming County Department of Civil Service."
- Write the examination number on the check or money order.
- **DO NOT SEND CASH!!**

As **NO** refunds will be made if you fail to appear for the scheduled exam or if your application is disapproved, be sure to compare your qualifications carefully with the requirements for admission and file only for those examinations for which you are clearly qualified. Assistance in determining whether or not you meet the minimum qualifications can be obtained from our office and is yours for the asking.

APPLICATION FEE WAIVER: A waiver of application fee will be allowed if you are unemployed and primarily responsible for the support of a household. In addition, a waiver of application fee will be allowed if you are determined eligible for Medicaid, or receiving Supplemental Security Income payments, or Public Assistance (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families/Family Assistance or Safety Net Assistance) or are certified Job Training Partnership Act/Workforce Investment Act eligible through a State or local social service agency. **All claims for application fee waiver are subject to verification. If you can verify eligibility for application fee waiver, complete a "Request for Application Fee Waiver and Certification" form and submit it with your application by the close of business on the Application Deadline as listed on the Examination Announcement.** The Application Fee Waiver is available on line at www.wyomingco.net (click on Civil Service) or in our office.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Falsification of any part of the "Application for Employment" will result in disqualification.
2. Applicants must answer every question on the application form and make sure that the application is complete in all respects. Incomplete applications will be disapproved. All necessary licenses, diplomas, and transcripts must be attached to the application when required in the "Minimum Requirements" as listed on the exam announcement.
3. Appointments from an eligible list must be made from the top three (3) candidates willing to accept appointment. The duration of an eligible list may be fixed for a minimum period of one (1) year and a maximum period of four (4) years.
4. It is the responsibility of the candidate to notify the Wyoming County Civil Service Office of any change of name and/or address. **NO** attempt will be made to locate candidates who have moved.

TIME AND PLACE OF EXAMINATION: Approved candidates will be notified by mail regarding the time and place of the examination. If notice of approval or disapproval is not received at least seven (7) days prior to the exam, please call the Wyoming County Civil Service Office at (585) 786-8830.

MULTIPLE EXAMINATIONS SCHEDULED FOR THE SAME DAY: If you have applied to take a written test announced by either one or several local jurisdictions (county, town, city) scheduled to be held on the same test date as this written test, you must notify each of the local jurisdictions no later than two weeks before the test date, so they can make arrangements for taking all tests at one test site. All examinations for positions in State government will be held at a State examination center. For this examination call 786-8830 or write to Wyoming County Civil Service, Warsaw, NY 14569.

NOTE: APPLICANTS WHO LACK THIRTY DAYS, OR LESS, OF MEETING THE MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS BY THE DATE OF THE EXAMINATION WILL BE ADMITTED CONDITIONALLY TO THE EXAMINATION. HOWEVER, PROOF OF THE ADDITIONAL DAYS' QUALIFICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ELIGIBLE LIST.

IF THE MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRE A DEGREE AND/OR LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS SHALL PERTAIN TO THIS EXAM ANNOUNCEMENT: If you expect to complete the educational requirement within 6 months, you can be admitted to this examination. If successful on the examination, you will not be certified for appointment until you have submitted proof of completion of the requirements to the Wyoming County Civil Service Office. Proof must be submitted within 2 months, following award of degree; failure to do so will result in removal of your name from the eligible list.

Licensure/Certification: If you are eligible for the required licensure/certification you can be admitted to this examination. If successful on the examination, you will not be certified for permanent appointment until you have submitted proof of possession of the required licensure/certificate to the Wyoming County Civil Service Office.

PROCEDURE FOR REQUESTING ALTERNATE TEST DATE:

1. For situations known prior to when the examination is scheduled for administration, the candidate should get from this office a Request for Alternate Test Date Form as soon as possible before the test date.
2. For emergency situations, you must notify this office no later than Tuesday following the SATURDAY scheduled test date.
3. We **can not** administer any written test **prior** to the **scheduled date**.