



MINUTES
CITY OF WAUPUN POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION
Waupun Safety Building – 16 E. Main Street, Waupun WI
Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at 4:30pm

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CALL TO ORDER

Meeting convened at 4:30pm by PFC President in the Waupun Safety Building.

ROLL CALL

Present: John Bett, Teresa Heidemann, Tara Rhodes, Michael Thurmer, Nancy Vanderkin (City Council Liaison); WPD Chief Scott Loudon, WPD Deputy Chief Jeremy Rasch

Member(s) absent (excused): Zak Dickhut, WFD Chief BJ DeMaa

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Minutes from the June 30, 2021 meeting were presented for approval. Motion to approve by J. Bett (T. Heidemann second; all in favor). Minutes approved as presented.

GENERAL DISCUSSION AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION CONCERNING THE NORMAL OPERATIONS OF THE WAUPUN POLICE DEPARTMENT

WPD Update from Chief Loudon:

- Staffing is moving in the right direction, morale seems to be improving (expecting to be fully-staffed by May, 2022). Newer Officers Dumke and Kearns are doing well. Chief Loudon has been meeting with the City Council and will provide an update at the September Commissioner's meeting.
- K9 program to be discussed at next PFC meeting. Officers Schneider/Boomer went to Beaver Dam; Officer Boomer was purchased by BDPD for \$5,000. Cost for dog with training was approximately \$14,000 last time; and there are funds that were raised in the community specifically for the K9 program; additional fundraising may be needed.
- Waupun Truck-N-Show had a very large turnout; moving forward will be collaborating with the WFD to help with traffic and other duties as needed.
- Moving forward with purchasing a new server this year or next, which will help to support the purchase of body and in-squad cameras which will be expected to be purchased later this year.

CLOSED SESSION

The Waupun Police and Fire Commission adjourned to closed session under Section 19.85 (1)(c) of the WI Statutes to conduct interview(s) with qualified applicant(s) for employment for Patrol Officer(s).

(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

Motion to go into Closed Session at 4:45pm was made by T. Rhodes (second by J. Bett; all in favor).

OPEN SESSION

The Waupun Police and Fire Commission reconvened in open session under Section 19.85(2) of the WI Statutes at 5:25pm after motion from J. Bett (second by T. Rhodes; all in favor).

ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

Motion to recommend hire of applicant A. Gile, Patrol Officer candidate, was made by T. Rhodes (second by T. Heidemann; all in favor).

FUTURE MEETINGS AND GATHERING INVOLVING THE POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

Next Commission meeting is scheduled for September 22nd at 4:30pm (the Commission meets quarterly, at minimum).

If necessary, please send any agenda requests to Chiefs BJ DeMaa or S. Loudon so appropriate preparation(s) can be made.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting at 5:29pm made by J. Bett (second by T. Rhodes; all in favor).

Respectfully submitted,
Tara Rhodes, Secretary

Cc: Commission members; WFD Chief; WPD Chief, Deputy Chief & Admin./Records; City of Waupun Mayor, Administrator / Director of Economic Development & City Clerk.