



POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION MINUTES

Meeting, Monday, September 10, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

Port Washington Police Dept. Conference Room, 365 N. Wisconsin Street

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Jennifer Clearwater.
Present: Terry Tietyen, Patty Ruth, Jennifer Clearwater, Jim Bieber
Excused: Rick Nelson
Also present: Chief Mark Mitchell, Chief Kevin Hingiss and Kris Halbig Ziehm, *Ozaukee Press*
2. Public Appearances, Comments, and Correspondence:
 - Character Counts will be recognizing all those that serve and protect the citizens of Port Washington and Saukville at the half time of the Port Washington High School football game on Friday, September 14, 2018. The Port Washington Fire, EMS and Police Departments, Saukville Fire/EMS and Police Departments and the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department have been invited. Please come and join in recognizing these individuals for their bravery and good character.
 - Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) National Test is scheduled for September 20, 2018 @ 1:18 PM and 1:20 PM.
 - Letter thanking Ansay and Associates for generous donation to Port Washington Fire Department via the Secura Strengthening Communities Fire Department Program will be sent out and signed by Rick Nelson.
3. Review of Previous Meeting Minutes – Motion was made by Jim Bieber and seconded by Terry Tietyen to approve the minutes from August 13, 2018. Motion passed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

(This section of the agenda was moved forward to take time to honor Captain Mike Davel.)

1. The Commission and all present recognized and thanked Captain Mike Davel for his 25 years of service to the citizens of Port Washington on the Port Washington Police Department. Chief Hingiss described Mike's work and his value to the entire department. Members of the Commission thanked Captain Davel for his service. Chief Hingiss presented Mike with a watch, as a token of the Department's and Commission's appreciation.
2. Reviewed and discussed Bills Payable for the month of August
3. Municipal Court statement for June and July was reviewed.
4. Calls for Service was reviewed. It was a very busy month. The Commission appreciates this report and asked the Chief if at the end of the year we could see how the months compared to each other.
5. Update on Squad #9 flood damage was shared. It was scheduled to be sold and replaced in 2019. Insurance will cover the replacement cost, less the deductible. There were no injuries as a result of this incident.
6. No other business was discussed.

AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT

1. Reviewed the August 2018 Ambulance invoices.
2. Reviewed and discussed the Ambulance budget through August 31, 2018.
3. Reviewed and discussed the August 2018 Ambulance calls.
4. Reviewed and discussed the August 2018 Paramedic Intercepts.

5. Discussion on the need to hire three (3) full-time Firefighter/Paramedics took place. There has been a 70% increase in calls in the last 3 years. August 2018 we had 100 ambulance calls. Concern is in being able to cover the calls. Maintaining our Paramedic status is important to our community. The Commission agreed that we need to consider hiring full-time Firefighter/Paramedics. We will place this item on the October meeting agenda.
6. No other business was discussed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

1. Reviewed and discussed the August 2018 Fire invoices.
2. Reviewed and discussed the Fire Department budget through August 31, 2018.
3. Reviewed and discussed the August 2018 Fire calls.
4. Discussion and action to hire John Daggett as a paid-on-call Firefighter / Rescue Diver took place. Motion to hire John Daggett as a paid-on-call Firefighter / Rescue Diver was made by Terry Tietyen and seconded by Jim Biever. Motion passed.
5. Fire Chief's Report
 - A. Update on new ambulance: This ambulance comes with a power cot and power load. This is a new system, and training will be provided. The ambulance is scheduled to be in service September 19th.
 - B. Department Open House – October 14 – 9am -1pm. Pancake breakfast will take place.
6. Other business as permitted by law: The Beer Garden on October 6, 2018 will be hosted by the Port Washington Fire Association.

Motion to adjourn was made by Terry Tietyen and seconded by Patty Ruth. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Patty Ruth, Secretary