

Police & Fire Commission  
700 Shiocton Street  
New London, WI 54961-1160

**Monday January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Commission Present: Corey Knepfel (Pres), Travis Kloehn (Sec), Doug Noel,  
April Kopitzke, Tom Schmude  
Police Chief: Jeffrey Schlueter  
Fire Chief: Mark Wilfuer  
Others Present:

Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM by Knepfel.

- Adoption of Agenda – Kloehn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kopitzke – carried 5-0
- Public Comment: None
- Motion to approve prior minutes by Schmude, 2<sup>nd</sup> Noel Carried 5-0
- The Commission recognizes service anniversaries.
  - Fire Department: Bernie Ritchie 39 years  
Greg Stilen 34 years  
Ryan Ritchie 12 years  
Justin Wempe 1 year  
Ryan Popke 1 year  
Matt Bennett 7 year
  - Police Department: Nick Kamba 14 years  
Jeff Schlueter 28 years  
Brent Seavecki 9 years  
Lisa Taylor 14 years
- Report of the Fire Department by Chief Mark Wilfuer
  - Motion to approve the bills as presented for December in the amount of: \$906.19: Knepfel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kopitzke; Carried 5-0
  - Budget as of November 30<sup>th</sup> reviewed – 77.20%
  - Discuss Fire Department Equipment/Technology
    - Chief Wilfuer reported they are performing preventative maintenance on the trucks and getting quotes for some repairs
  - Fire runs and service calls reviewed
  - Staffing and Training reviewed

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Some members of NLFD attended training on Electric Vehicle Fires

Some members of NLFD attended training with Hortonville FD on a mock accident scene.

Chief Wilfuer will be looking at applications to fill the vacant spot on the fire department. They will be conducting interviews soon.

A motion was made to approve the appointment of Brad Siewert to Engineer effect 01/01/2024. By Schmude-2<sup>nd</sup> Kloehn: Carried 5-0

Ryan Popke has completed enough training that he is now allowed in the "Red Zone" at fires.

Jason Flease resigned on good standings.

- Discuss Chief hours  
Chief Wilfuer reported that he worked 21 hours in the month of December. These hours are in addition to fire calls.
- Monthly attendance report reviewed.
- Fire Inspection Note.  
All 2023 inspections were completed.  
The FD will have an Audit on the fire inspections completed on January 30<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Wilfuer was dismissed at 5:55 PM

➤ Report of the Police Department by Chief Schlueter

- Motion to approve bills for December in the amount of \$31,053.40 and \$5,027.67 by Kloehn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Schmude: Carried 5-0:
- Budget as of November 30<sup>th</sup> was reviewed. Currently 88.55%  
Chief Schlueter reported:  
In 2023 the PD received the following amounts for the OWI and Heroin Grans to cover overtime cost:  
\$4815.15 Heroin Grant  
\$1654.74 OWI Grant.

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- The New London Police and Fire Commission was willed money from a past PFC member. This money is to be use for training or equipment for the police and fire departments. There are specific instructions that the city can not take possession of this money or have this money used against the police or fire department budgets. When the money is received, Chief Schlueter will give the PFC an update.
- Crime and activity report reviewed.
  - Incident count for December was 428 calls for service.
- Staffing and training update:  
Chief Schlueter reported:  
Anna and Ken were sworn in on the 15<sup>th</sup>.
- A motion was made to approve the 2024 policy book and changes as presented by Chief Schlueter. By Kopitzke, 2<sup>nd</sup> Noel: Carried 5-0
- Update on current activities/investigations  
None
- Update on Current Projects:  
Chief Schlueter reported that the PD has received the new body cameras and squad cameras. Over the next month we will be working to get everything installed and on the streets.

➤ Chief Schlueter was dismissed at 6:15PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Jeff Schlueter