

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

Monday, February 19th, 2024

Commission Present: Corey Knepfel (Pres), Travis Kloehn (Sec), Doug Noel
(excused), April Kopitzke, Tom Schmude (zoom)

Police Chief: Jeffrey Schlueter

Fire Chief: Mark Wilfuer

Others Present:

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

- Adoption of Agenda – Kopitzke, 2nd Knepfel – carried 4-0
- Public Comment: None
- Motion to approve prior minutes by Kloehn, 2nd Kopitzke Carried 4-0
- The Commission recognizes service anniversaries.
 - Fire Department: Mark Wilfuer 40 year
Mark Handschke 40 years
Nicholas Wickman 12 years
 - Police Department: Mike Harlow 18 years
Jenna Kriewaldt 4 years
Chase Schroeder 13 years
- Report of the Fire Department by Chief Mark Wilfuer
 - Motion to approve the bills as presented for January in the amount of: \$46,349.22: Kloehn, 2nd Kopitzke; Carried 4-0
 - Budget as of December 31st reviewed – 91.88%
 - Discuss Fire Department Equipment/Technology
 - Chief Wilfuer reported they are will be going to Marion Body Works for the pre-build on the tanker truck.
 - Fire runs and service calls reviewed
 - Staffing and Training reviewed

NLFD current has 1 firefight in the firefighter I class.

 - Motion to go to closed session per WI SS 19.85(1)c to discuss the hiring of new fire fighters. By Knepfel 2nd by Kloehn carried 4-0

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Motion to move to open session by Knepfel, 2nd Kloehn carried 4-0

Motion to move to open session by Knepfel, 2nd Kopitzke – Carried 4-0

Motion to give a conditional offer of employment to the top 2 candidates based on the successful completion of the medical exam and background check. By Knepfel, 2nd Kopitzke: Carried 4-0

- Discuss Chief hours

Chief Wilfuer reported that he worked 22 hours in the month of January. These hours are in addition to fire calls.

- Monthly attendance report reviewed.
- Fire Inspection Note.
None

Chief Wilfuer was dismissed at 5:45 PM

➤ Report of the Police Department by Chief Schlueter

- Motion to approve bills for January in the amount of \$74,372.40 and \$36.98 by Kloehn, 2nd Schmude: Carried 4-0:
- Budget as of December 31st was reviewed. Currently 96.71%
- The New London Police and Fire Commission was willed \$22,005.98 from a past PFC member.
Chief Schlueter received the check. The PFC decided to put the check in a designated fund with the city that can only be used for training or equipment for the fire department and police department. The PFC will allow both the fire department and police department to use \$11,002.99 of the money. If either department wants to use the money they should request it from the PFC and it will be approved through them.
The money from the Robert Estate will be deposited into account 155 31109, reference this number on any use of those funds in the future.
- Crime and activity report reviewed.
 - Incident count for January was 445 calls for service.

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- Staffing and training update:
Chief Schlueter reported:
Anna and Ken have started their Field Training.
- Update on current activities/investigations
None
- Update on Current Projects:
Chief Schlueter reported that the PD plans on going live with the new body and squad cameras on 3/18/2024. We continue to work with Motorola to get the system build and the software installed.

Chief Schlueter gave an update on the recodification process. Chief Schlueter will be meeting with City Administrator Hoerth and Attorney Steckbauer to go over the chapters involving the police department.

➤ Chief Schlueter was dismissed at 6:37PM.
Meeting was adjourned at 6:37 PM.
Respectfully submitted,
Chief Jeff Schlueter