

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

Monday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Commission Present: John Lee (Pres), Tom Schmude (Sec), Joe Kable, Al  
Grumann (excused), Lund Cooley  
Police Chief: Jeffrey Schlueter  
Fire Chief: Mark Wilfuer  
Others Present: Sgt. Wilson for the Police portion

Meeting called to order at 6:05 PM by Lee.

- Public Comment : None
- Motion to approve prior minutes from 02/19/2018: Kable 2<sup>nd</sup> Schmude  
Carried 4-0
- The Commission recognizes service anniversaries.  
Fire Department:  
  
Police Department Tom Algiers 31 years
- Report of the Fire Department by Chief mark Wilfuer
  - Motion to approve the bills as presented for February in the amount of: \$28,970.65: Cooley 2<sup>nd</sup> Kable; Carried 4-0
  - Budget as of February 28<sup>th</sup> reviewed. Currently 17.39%
  - Discuss Fire Department Equipment/Technology
    - Chief Wilfuer reported that 955 is back from being painted, but will have to go back as they forgot to re-paint part of the vehicle.
  - Fire runs and service calls reviewed
  - Motion to go to closed session per WI SS19.85(1)c to consider employment. By Lee, 2<sup>nd</sup> Schmude: Carried 4-0
  - Motion to return to open session by Cooley, 2<sup>nd</sup> Schmude Carried 4-0
- Motion to hire the #1 candidate base on successful completion of the background and medical check. By Schmude, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lee: Carried 4-0
- Discuss Recruitment:  
Nothing new

- Staffing & Training reviewed;
  - From now on the fire department raining is going to be starting at 6pm. The Chief will have a schedule put out about 6 months in advance.
- There was a discussion and increasing the number of members on the fire department. Chief Wilfuer reported that the cost to get a new fire fighter started would be about \$8,000. Chief Wilfuer reported that adding member would help with the summer staffing. This topic will be discussed again at a later meeting.
- Discuss Chief hours  
Chief Wilfuer reported that he worked 18 hours in the month of February
- Monthly attendance report reviewed.
- Fire Inspection Note  
Chief Wilfuer reported that he had received a complaint about smoke detectors being covered at the America's Top Value Inn. Chief Wilfuer saw that they were covered and will be citing the hotel.
- New Business

Chief Wilfuer was dismissed at 7:00PM

➤ Report of the Police Department by Chief Schlueter

- Sgt. Wilson spoke about his involvement with the New London Police Explorers and explained the program to the PFC
- Motion to approve bills for February in the amount of \$37,058.03 and \$139.95: Schmude 2<sup>nd</sup> Cooley; Carried. 4-0
- Budget as of February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 was reviewed. Currently 14.84%.  
Chief Schlueter reported that there will be an upcoming payment for about \$2,300 for a computer at Waupaca County so they can dispatch for us on the weekends. Luke Curtis' uniforms were also just recently purchased and will be on the March bills.
- Crime and activity report reviewed.
  - Incident count for February was 444 calls for service

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- Chief Schlueter gave a brief update on St. Patrick's day and the candy issue. Overall it was a good St. Patrick's Day
- Current staffing and training update.  
Chief Schlueter reported that Luke Curtis will be sworn in as a new officer on Monday March 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00AM. The public is welcome to attend.

Tom Algiers gave Chief Schlueter his retirement notice. Tom will be retiring on May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Schlueter reported that he will be posting for the summer CSO soon. This position will run from the beginning of June to the end of August.

- Chief Schlueter discussed school safety and security. Chief Schlueter requested that the PFC consider adding 2 part-time New London PD School Resource Officers. Chief Schlueter explained that right now we have 1 full-time SRO for the 9 schools in our district, while some cities like Appleton have 1 full-time SRO for each high school and middle school and a full-time officer for every 3-4 elementary schools. Chief Schlueter suggest that we have at least 1 full-time SRO at the High School, 1 part-time SRO dedicated to the Middle School and 1 part-time SRO assigned to the elementary schools. Chief Schlueter said this would be a good start along with other projects the PD and School District are working on to help keep the children safe. Chief Schlueter estimates the cost to be about \$15,000-\$20,000 per part-time SRO. Chief Schlueter reports that he has spoken briefly to the School District and believes they may be willing to provide the funding for 1 of the positions. Chief Schlueter said he would be able to support the other position in his current budget from money saved by having Waupaca County dispatch on Weekends for the PD and only having the CSO work June-August.

A motion was made to authorize Chief Schlueter to talk to the school district about moving forward with the planning and discussions for the 2 part-time SROs. By Lee, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cooley: Carried 4-0

- Update on current activities/investigations
- Update on current projects and new business

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Chief Schlueter gave an update on the Spillman CAD/RMS project. Chief Schlueter reported that we are getting a standalone computer for the Sheriff's Department for when they dispatch. The other option was a CAD to CAD patch that had an estimated cost of \$100,000. The cost of the computer is about \$2,300.

Chief Schlueter reported that the new squads just came in

Chief Schlueter reported that he is having some banners made up for the schools that promote "see Something, Say Something"

➤ Chief Schlueter was dismissed at 8:24 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chief Jeff Schlueter