

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

Monday December 19th, 2022

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

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

- Adoption of Agenda – Kopitzke 2nd Kloehn – carried 4-0
- Public Comment: None
- Motion to approve prior minutes from 11/21/2022:
Noel, 2nd Knepfel Carried 4-0
- The Commission recognizes service anniversaries.

Fire Department:	Dick Muskevitsch	49 years
	Bradley Siewert	4 years

Police Department:

- Report of the Fire Department by Chief Mark Wilfuer
 - City Administrator Chad Hoerth spoke to the PFC about the contract between the City of New London and the surrounding townships for fire protection. City Administrator Hoerth reported that Caledonia pulled out of this 5 year contract because they thought they would get better first responder coverage if they joined the Dale Fire Department.

After the PFC reviewed the contract a motion was made: To recommend the contract to council as presented. By Schmude, 2nd Kopitzke: Carried 4-0
 - Motion to approve the bills as presented for November in the amount of: \$1,275.98: Kloehn, 2nd Schmude; Carried 4-0
 - Budget as of _____ reviewed.- No budget for this month
 - Discuss Fire Department Equipment/Technology
 - The rescue truck needs a new computer board to control the brakes. This should be fixed tomorrow.

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- Chief Wilfuer reported that they will be buying 2 new rescue dry suits. They are about \$600 each. Some of their old suits are 20 years old.
- Fire runs and service calls reviewed
- Staffing and Training reviewed
Driver/operator training starts in January.
- Hiring of 2 candidates were discussed. Motion to hire the top 2 candidates based on the successful completion of the physical testing. By Kopitzke, 2nd Noel Carried 4-0
- Discuss Chief hours
Chief Wilfuer reported that he worked 22 hours in the month of November. These hours are in addition to fire calls.
- Monthly attendance report reviewed.
- Fire Inspection Note.
Things are going well.

Chief Wilfuer was dismissed at 5:56 PM

➤ Report of the Police Department by Chief Schlueter

- Motion to move to closed session per WI SS 19.85(1)c to consider employment and compensation for an employee under the PFC's jurisdiction. By Schmude, 2nd Kloehn: Carried 4-0 City Administrator Hoerth was invited in the closed session.
- Motion to move to open session By Kloehn, 2nd Kopitzke; Carried 4-0 No action or statement taken on the above matter. City Administrator Hoerth left after the closed session.
- Motion to approve bills for November in the amount of \$50,165.54 and \$867.48 and \$427.99 by Kloehn, 2nd Kopitzke: Carried 4-0:
- Budget as of __ was reviewed. Currently - No budget for this month

Chief Schlueter reported:

The PD received \$184.21 for the Heroin overtime grant.

Chief Schlueter received \$3,040 from the state for the yearly officer training.

Chief Schlueter told the PFC that the SWAT Team members are going to need new vest. The price on the vest have gone up from about \$1500 to \$3000 in 5 years. Chief Schlueter is going to purchase at least 1 vest out of this years budget and then take the rest out of the bullet proof grant fund that we have set a side. This was supported by all members of the PFC.

- Crime and activity report reviewed.
 - Incident count for November was 406 calls for service.
- Staffing and training update.
 - Chief Schlueter reported that Ben Keach started on 12/12/22
 - Chief Schlueter reported that the PD may lose a dispatcher so Chief Schlueter posted the position. So far, the PD has received 13 applications. We will likely start some interviews after the holidays.
- Motion to remove Brant Gosh from probation status. By Schmude, 2nd Noel: Carried 4-0
- Motion to remove Staff Sergeant Chase Schroeder from probation status effective January 1st 2023. By Schmude, 2nd Kopitzke: Carried 4-0
- The 2023 Dispatcher and Supervisor Handbooks were reviewed by the PFC. No changes were made from 2022. Motion to approve the 2023 Dispatcher and Supervisor Handbooks as presented. By Schmude, 2nd Kloehn: Carried 4-0
- Update on current activities/investigations.
- Update on Current Projects:
 - Chief Schlueter reported that last Friday the PD shopped for 11 families as part of the shop with a cop program. On Wednesday the PD will be dropping off the gifts.

Chief Schlueter reported that the PD will be moving forward with the Flock cameras. Thanks to NL Utilities for helping keep New London safe.

Chief Schlueter reported that the speed sign on Pershing has been installed.

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The Ford Fusion that was damaged will take 3-6 months to get fixed.

➤ Chief Schlueter was dismissed at 6:54PM.
Meeting was adjourned at 6:54 PM.
Respectfully submitted,
Chief Jeff Schlueter