

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

Monday September 19th, 2022

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

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

- Adoption of Agenda – Schmude 2nd Kloehn – carried 5-0
- Public Comment: Kopitzke thanked the PD and FD for their assistance with the Wheels on Water Street and Fall Family Fest.
- Motion to approve prior minutes from 8/15/2022:
Kloehn, 2nd Kopitzke Carried 5-0
- The Commission recognizes service anniversaries.
Fire Department: Ryan Bednarowski 12 years

Police Department:
- Report of the Fire Department by Chief Mark Wilfuer
 - Motion to approve the bills as presented for August in the amount of: \$806.09: Schmude, 2nd Noel; Carried 5-0
 - Budget as of July 31, 55.08% reviewed.
 - PFC discussed the 2023 budget for the Fire Department:

Motion by Schmude, 2nd Kloehn to approve the budget as presented in the amount of \$233,080. Carried 5-0
 - Discuss Fire Department Equipment/Technology
 - The fire department will be purchasing 2 new slow/stop signs that light up.
 - Fire runs and service calls reviewed
 - Staffing and Training reviewed
The fire Department is short 2 firefighters.

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Next driver/operator class will be in January

- Discuss Chief hours
Chief Wilfuer reported that he worked 26 hours in the month of August. These hours are in addition to fire calls.
- Monthly attendance report reviewed.
- Fire Inspection Note.
Things are going good. Chief Wilfuer is going to be working with Andy Burns so he can help with inspections.

Chief Wilfuer was dismissed at 5:43 PM

➤ Report of the Police Department by Chief Schlueter

- Motion to approve bills for August in the amount of \$48,698.42 by Kloehn, 2nd Kopitzke: Carried 5-0:
- Budget as of July 31st was reviewed. Currently 55.63%
Chief Schlueter reported:
The PD received \$1004.36 for the OWI overtime grant.

The PD has to replace a switch on the generator. It was estimated the cost will be about \$3400. It may take a couple of months to get the switch.

- The 2023 PD budget was discussed. Motion by Kopitzke, 2nd by Kloehn to approve the budget as presented in the amount of \$2,487,756 and \$98,000 for capital projects for the purchase of 2 squads. Carried 5-0
- Crime and activity report reviewed.
 - Incident count for August was 442 calls for service.
- Motion to move to closed session per WI SS 19.85(1)c to discuss/approve promotions and the hiring process by Schmude, 2nd Kopitzke – Carried 5-0.
- Motion to move to open session and take action on the above matter.
By Schmude, 2nd Kloehn - Carried 5-0

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Motion by Kloehn, 2nd Noel to approve the promotion of Josh Wilson to the rank of Captain effective 1/1/2023. Carried 5-0

Chief Schlueter reported that he received 8 applications for the hiring process and ask the PFC to have a Special Meeting on 9/29/22 to interview the top candidate. The PFC agreed to the special meeting on 9/29/22 @ 5:30pm

- Motion to move to closed session per WI SS 19.85(1)c to discuss the Chief's yearly performance by Schmude, 2nd Knepfel – Carried 5-0.
- Motion to move to open session: by Schmude, 2nd Noel – Carried 5-0
- Staffing and Training updates:
The PD finished up on yearly firearms certification.
- Update on current activities/investigations.
- Update on Current Projects:
Chief Schlueter spoke to the PFC about possibly using grant money and look for a donation from New London Utilities to purchase some license plate reader cameras. The PFC was in support for possibly using grant money to purchase LPR cameras.

➤ Chief Schlueter was dismissed at 6:39PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Chief Jeff Schlueter