

BEAVER DAM POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

These are the minutes of the January 7, 2020 meeting of the Beaver Dam Police and Fire Commission. Present were Jeff Kohman, John Oathout, Casey Carney, Gary Spielman and Nancy Conley. Also in attendance were Fire Chief Alan Mannel, Police Chief John Kreuziger, Lana Letto, and guests. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. Chairman Jeff Kohman presiding.

GENERAL

1. Spielman made a motion to approve the December 2019 PFC regular meeting minutes, seconded by Carney, all were in favor.
2. Chief Kreuziger presented Officer Ryan Borchardt with the Officer of the Year award.
3. Chief Kreuziger presented records clerks, Trina Lynch, Becky Wendorff, Amy Mallon, and Nicole Torres with the Exceptional Service Award for their professionalism, attitude, and proficiency.

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4. Fire Department community activities for the month of December were reviewed and moved to files.
5. Chief Mannel updated the commission on the operations of the Fire Department:
 - On January 1, Wesley Jahnke, John Jatczak and Corey Braunschweig began their roles as Lieutenants
 - There was minimal action for the department over the holidays
 - The annual report has been started
 - A committee is putting information together to help promote the need for more staff and a second station
6. Oathout made a motion to move FF/Medic Heather Shoemaker from probationary status to regular full time status, seconded by Conley, all were in favor.
7. Conley made a motion to move FF/Medic Ben Beck from probationary status to regular full time status, seconded by Spielman, all were in favor.
8. Spielman made a motion to move Captain Chris Ackley from probationary status to regular Captain status, seconded by Carney, all were in favor.
9. Oathout made a motion to accept the resignation of POC FF Kyle Neuman, seconded by Spielman, all were in favor.

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10. Police Department community activities for the month of December were reviewed and moved to files. It was noted that the Charities meal held at the Watermark on the 23rd was a well-attended event and will be done again.

11. Chief Kreuziger updated the commission on the operations of the Police Department:
 - He has signed a multijurisdictional drug unit agreement
 - The officer involved shooting was 4 days long, in this matter, it showed how the mandatory firearms trainings have paid off. The trial went very well. Commission member Spielman attended the trial and he felt the officers did well in the trial and supported each other well; he also felt body cameras would have made a big difference in this case. Body camera cost, holding out for better technology and the concern for data storage are what's holding Chief back from getting body cameras. A committee will be formed this summer to look into body cameras.
 - Chief shared a photo of the progress of the training facility and explained the layout.
12. Oathout made a motion to approve Chief Kreuziger attending the International Association of Chiefs of Police for 2020 in New Orleans, Louisiana, seconded by Carney, all were in favor.
13. Oathout made a motion to go with Kwik Trip's bid for fuel for 2020 because it was .08 below posted price per gallon, it is open 24/7, and for the ease of accessibility, seconded by Spielman, all were in favor.
14. Chief reported that the Department of Justice did an audit for juvenile compliance and the department passed.
15. Conley made a motion to start the hiring process to fill two upcoming positions due to retirements, seconded by Spielman, all were in favor.

CLOSED SESSION

16. Spielman made a motion to meet in closed session, pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec 19.85(1)(b), for the purpose of considering the dismissal, demotion, or discipline of a fire department employee under the commission's jurisdiction, or the investigation of charges against that individual. Upon completion of Closed Session, the Commission may reconvene in Open Session to act upon any/all items discussed or deliberated during the Closed Session and for the purpose of considering the dismissal, demotion, or discipline of a police department employee under the commission's jurisdiction, or the investigation of charges against that individual. Upon completion of Closed Session, the Commission may reconvene in Open Session to act upon any/all items discussed or deliberated during the Closed Session, seconded by Carney voting was as follows: Conley-aye, Carney-aye, Oathout-aye, Chairman-aye, and Spielman-aye. The commission moved into closed session at 5:40 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned while in closed session at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lana Letto, Beaver Dam Fire Department Administrative Assistant