

BEAVER DAM POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

These are the minutes of the June 2, 2020 meeting of the Beaver Dam Police and Fire Commission. Present were Jeff Kohman, John Oathout, Nancy Conley, and Shirley Poch. Absent was Casey Carney. Also in attendance were Fire Chief Alan Mannel, Police Chief John Kreuziger, Lana Fassbender, and guests. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. Chairman Jeff Kohman presiding.

GENERAL

1. Citizen Fred Dassler spoke. He feels there needs to be more information sent to the public about the need for the Fire Department to go to referendum for additional staffing.
2. Conley made a motion to approve the May 2020 meetings' minutes, seconded by Oathout, all were in favor.
3. Mayor Glewen thanked the police department for keeping her informed of the new developments in the George Lloyd situation and communicating how they can work together to be ambassadors to the community.
4. After reexamination and discussion, between Kohman feeling it won't be able to happen due to losing 5-10% in state aid and Oathout feeling that this needs to be studied a bit further and get more details to be more transparent, Conley made a motion to rescind the May 19 motion to request the city council to consider and take action on placing a referendum question on the upcoming November election ballot as it relates to the request from the fire department to exceed the levy cap to fund the hiring of eight additional staff, this was seconded by Oathout. Discussion followed with ideas of suggesting to reexamining operations to relieve staff and the possibility of cutting back the amount of staff requested. All were in favor of the motion.

BEAVER DAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. Police Department community activities for May were reviewed and moved to files.
2. Chief Kreuziger updated the commission on the operations of the Police Department:
 - The K-9 vehicle has been obtained, the 5 squads are still on order
 - Lukas Buteyn and Karalyn Dehn were chosen off the patrol officer's eligibility list.
 - Lt. Gebhardt and the bomb squad have done several presentations around the state on the explosion sharing valuable information
 - Had a meeting with DA Kurt Klomberg about their cases, investigations and our testimony evaluating them and discussing what went well and how we could improve. Did have the lowest no-prosecution letters in Dodge County
 - Has applied for 3 traffic grants again. Since using these grants traffic incidents have gone down from the 400's to the 200's in one year
 - He appreciates how the local businesses have cooperated by following the Governor's orders during the COVID quarantine
 - Applied for body-worn cams in the amount of \$80,000 for everybody to have a body camera, which they have to match so \$40,000 will be put into 2021's capitol outlay if they receive this grant

- Handed out the school liaison's annual reports
 - The department is working on updating their policies
 - Held a supervisory meeting to make sure the supervisors understand his expectations of them
 - He sent 5 officers to Madison on Sunday, May 31 to secure and protect Madison's businesses during the protests. They did apprehend one suspect in a looting incident
3. The annual report has been tabled until next month
 4. Oathout made a motion to promote Derek Harmsen to detective, effective Jan. 1, 2021, seconded by Conley, all were in favor.
 5. Conley made a motion to end the probationary period for records clerk, Nicole Torres, effective immediately, seconded by Oathout, all were in favor.

BEAVER FIRE POLICE DEPARTMENT

6. Fire Department community activities for May were reviewed and moved to files.
7. Chief Mannel updated the commission on the operations of the Fire Department:
 - The compressor is on order and should be delivered sometime the end of June or July
 - He is reviewing and updating the department's COVID-19 procedures regularly. As of Monday, June 1, City Hall has opened to the public with precautions in place
 - We are in the process of pre-planning the river for water rescue
 - The self-disclosure with the OIG should be completed shortly
8. The cadet program changes have been made. They are no longer under the partnership or expense of the Boy Scout.
9. Chief asked the commission to review the annual report and forward any questions to him.
10. Oathout made a motion to approve an on-going recruitment and hiring process and make necessary changes on the job posting, seconded by Conley, all were in favor.
11. After review and discussion of such, Conley made a motion to approve the revised career firefighter/paramedic job description, seconded by Oathout, all were in favor.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS (FOR PLACEMENT ON FURUTE AGENDAS)

Oathout would like clarification on why the insurance is at 155% for the Police Department budget

Next meeting will be June 9 at 5:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Oathout made a motion to adjourn at 6:25 pm, seconded by Carney, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Lana Fassbender, Beaver Dam Fire Department Administrative Assistant