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Police and Fire Departments

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, December 14, 2021

5:45 PM

Lower Conference Room

Minutes

1) Call to Order and Roll Call

Present:

Chair Andrew Nerbun
Alderman Mark Gierl
Alderman Dale Mayr

Also Present: City Administrator William Jones, Fire Chief Bialk, Deputy Fire Chief Zellman, Mayor Abendroth (arrived 5:52PM), and Administrative Coordinator Melina Bowen.

2) Approve Meeting Minutes

- a. Public Safety Committee - Regular Meeting - Nov 9, 2021 5:30 PM

RESULT: **Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]**

MOVED BY: Alderman Gierl

SECONDED BY: Alderman Nerbun

AYES: Nerbun, Gierl

ABSENT: Mayr

3) Resolutions

Action requested: review and recommend approval

- a. **RESOLUTION 3900** A Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Mequon and the Village of Thiensville in Connection with Fire & EMS Department Consolidation

Fire Chief Bialk introduced Resolution 3900 approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Mequon and the Village of Thiensville in connection with Fire and EMS Department consolidation. Chief Bialk advised that the ongoing research conducted by the Public Policy Forum determined that fire departments within Ozaukee County need to spend more money to obtain more employees and that by combining resources departments would be able to spend less. Due to staffing issues experienced by both Mequon and Thiensville Fire Departments, a study is to be conducted to consolidate resources of the two departments.

City Administrator Jones advised that the Memorandum of Understanding provides a framework by which this analysis and study will occur. A joint working group will be

appointed which will provide quarterly updates working towards one consolidated Mequon/Thiensville Department. Thiensville unanimously approved the Memorandum at their meeting December 13, 2021.

RESULT: **Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]**
MOVED BY: Alderman Mayr
SECONDED BY: Alderman Gierl

AYES: Nerbun, Gierl, Mayr

4) Adjourn

- a. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:52 PM.

RESULT: **Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]**
MOVED BY: Alderman Gierl
SECONDED BY: Alderman Mayr

AYES: Nerbun, Gierl, Mayr

Respectfully Submitted,

Melina Bowen