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BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, December 6, 2022
7:00 AM
Christine Nuernberg Hall

Minutes

PRESENT: Commissioners Pukaite, Nuernberg, Jackson, Michalski, Szymborski

ALSO PRESENT: Police Captain Riley, Fire Chief Bialk, Deputy Fire Chief Zellman, Assistant City Administrator Schoenemann, Attorney Kyle Gulya, Administrative Coordinator Melina Bowen, Battalion Chief Boetcher, Thiensville Village Administrator Landisch-Hansen, and Kristina Eckert

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 AM.

2. Personal Appearances and Public Comment

None.

3. Approve meeting minutes of September 6, 2022

Moved by Commissioner Michalski, seconded by Commissioner Jackson to approve the minutes from September 6, 2022. Motion approved by voice acclamation.

4. Items Requiring Commission Discussion/Action

a) Discuss and take action regarding retaining von Briesen & Roper, s.c. for purposes of rendering legal advice to the Commission

Commissioners were presented with information regarding the retention of von Briesen & Roper for the requested Police and Fire Commission hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Nuernberg for the Commission to work with Attorney Kyle Gulya. Motion approved by voice acclamation (5/0).

b) Hearing Process Overview and Role of Commission and Commissioners under Wis. Stat. § 62.13(5), discuss and take action regarding Rules of Procedure as permitted by Wis. Stat. § 62.13(5), and discussion of charges filed and to authorize the President of the Commission to act in accordance with the Rule of Procedure.

Attorney Gulya discussed the Rules of Procedure presented to the Commission related to Police and Fire Commission hearings.

Moved by Commissioner Michalski, seconded by Commissioner Nuernberg to accept the Rules of Procedure as drafted. Motion approved by voice acclamation (5/0).

Moved by Commissioner Michalski, seconded by Commissioner Szymborski authorizing President Pukaite to act in accordance with the Rules of Procedure. Motion approved by voice acclamation (5/0).

c) Review/Certify Eligibility List for Fire Department Recruits under Wis. Stat. § 62.13(4)

Commissioners were presented with the proposed recruit's information and qualifications.

Moved by Commissioner Michalski, seconded by Commissioner Szymborski to approve/certify proposed Firefighter/Paramedic recruit. Motion approved by roll call vote (5/0).

Ayes: Pukaite, Michalski, Nuernberg, Szymborski and Jackson

d) Review/Certify Eligibility List for Battalion Chief under Wis. Stat. § 62.13(4)

Commissioners were presented with the four proposed battalion chief recruits' information and qualifications.

Moved by Commissioner Michalski, seconded by Commissioner Jackson to approve/certify battalion chief candidates Deutsch, Davis, and Padgett. Motion approved by roll call vote (5/0).

Ayes: Pukaite, Michalski, Nuernberg, Szymborski and Jackson

Moved by Commissioner Nuernberg, seconded by Commissioner Szymborski to add battalion chief candidate Lempke to the eligibility list. Motion denied by roll call vote (2/3).

Ayes: Nuernberg, Szymborski

Nays: Michalski, Pukaite, and Jackson

5. Chief's Reports

Captain Riley (Police)

- Officer Nelson has left the department to pursue new career opportunities.
- Candidate Higgs will start the Police Academy in January.
- There have not been any upticks in specific call types.
- Four of the dispatchers will remain with the department in clerical roles, two have applied at Ozaukee Dispatch, and others have left for other career opportunities.

Chief Bialk (Fire)

- The Fire Department will officially become the Southern Ozaukee Fire Department as of January 1, 2023.
- Call volume is up approximately 100 calls for service from 2021.

6. Adjourn

Moved by Commissioner Szymborski, seconded by Commissioner Michalski to adjourn the meeting at 8:03AM. Motion approved by voice acclamation.

Respectfully Submitted,
Melina Bowen