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Meeting Minutes - Approved POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Monday, January 11, 2021

5:30 PM

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

The public (and City staff members) may join using the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83850420156>

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm. All commissioners were present.

Present: 5 - Fabiola Hamdan; Kevin C. Gundlach; Mary Schauf; William Greer and Jacquelyn L. Boggess

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Greer, seconded by Boggess, to Approve the Minutes of the meetings of December 14, 2020; December 16, 2020; and December 18, 2020. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. [63662](#) Public Comment for the Police and Fire Commission regular meeting of January 11, 2021

Attachments: [Blank Registration Form \(fillable PDF\)](#)
[Blank Registration Form \(Microsoft Word\)](#)

There was no public comment.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ITEMS

Assistant Chief Tracy Burrus presented the report of the Fire Department.

2. [63663](#) Update on 2020 Paramedic Class

Attachments: [Fire Department Report 1-11-21.pdf](#)

Eight Paramedic candidates will begin field work on February 12 and will hopefully achieve national certification in April.

3. [63664](#) Update on 2020 - 2021 Firefighter Hiring Process

Chief Burrus reported that Thirty-two candidates have successfully passed the physical agility test. Background investigations are complete for 20 of the 32 candidates.

The Fire Academy is scheduled to begin March 1, 2021.

4. [63665](#) Act on Fire Chief's recommendation for approval of eligibility list

A motion was made by Greer, seconded by Boggess, to approve the 2020 eligibility list. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

5. [63666](#) Act on Fire Chief's recommendation for approval of hiring list

A motion was made by Gundlach, seconded by Greer, to approve the 16 names on the 2020 hiring list. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

6. [63667](#) Update on 2020 Division Chief Promotional Process

Six Fire Lieutenants submitted applications for the Division Fire Chief Position; one withdrew. The remaining five were interviewed today. The chief will interview finalists on the 19th.

7. [63668](#) General status report on Fire Department discipline

There are no new investigations; two prior investigations are ongoing.

8. [63669](#) General status report on Fire Department retirements

Chief Burrus reported the following recent retirements:

FF Lisa Van Buskirk 1/4/2021
Apparatus Engineer Jon Byrd 1/4/2021
Lieutenant Steven Tennant 1/5/2021
Lieutenant Douglas Freese 1/9/2021
Lieutenant Jeffrey Marchillo 1/14/2021

POLICE DEPARTMENT ITEMS

Captain Jennifer Krueger Favour presented the report of the Police Department.

9. [63670](#) Recommendations of the Acting Police Chief regarding promotions

Attachments: [Preliminary Police Department Report 1-11-2021.pdf](#)
[Final Police Department Report 1-11-2021.pdf](#)

Captain Krueger Favour presented four candidates for promotion, noting that the fifth has resigned to accept a position with the ATF.

10. [63671](#) Act on final recommendation of the Acting Police Chief following the successful completion of the probationary period for the following candidates:

Name, Promoted Rank	Off Probation Date
Gregg Sosoka, Sergeant	01/26/2021
Kimberly Alan, Sergeant	01/26/2021

A motion was made by Boggess, seconded by Greer, to approve the final recommendation of the Acting Police Chief to promote Gregg Sosoka and Kimberly Alan to the rank of Sergeant, effective January 26, 2021. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

11. [63672](#) Update on Acting Positions and Detective Sergeant Position

Captain Krueger Favour informed the commissioners of current acting positions in the Violent Crimes Unit.

12. [63673](#) Update on 2021 Pre-Service Academy Hiring Process Timeline

Captain Krueger Favour reported that the Police Department will request approval of an eligibility list at the February meeting and hope to make tentative job offers in late March.

13. [63674](#) General status report on Police Department discipline

There are no new cases to report.

14. [63675](#) Schedule Special Meeting to hear Motion to Reopen filed by Algernon Caldwell, Jr.

The commissioners selected Wednesday, January 27 at noon. Commissioner Boggess will be excused.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Boggess, seconded by Gundlach, to Convene into Closed Session. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

15. [63676](#) Contemplated closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(c) to discuss and take action, if appropriate, regarding employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; specifically:

report/recommendation on personnel file reviews and possible action on preliminary recommendation of the Acting Police Chief for the following

candidates:

Name, Promoted Rank	Current Rank	Effective Date
Daniel Sherrick, Sergeant	Police Officer	01/24/2021
Luke Lengfeld, Sergeant	Police Officer	03/07/2021
Joseph Buccellato, Detective	Police Officer	02/07/2021
Katherine Bland, Detective	Police Officer	02/07/2021
Anna Schmidt, Detective	Police Officer	02/07/2021

16. [63678](#) Reconvene into open session to consider any remaining agenda items and to take action, if appropriate, regarding the items discussed in closed session.

A motion was made by Schauf, seconded by Greer, to reconvene into open session. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Vote on file # 63676

A motion was made by Boggess, seconded by Gundlach, to approve the preliminary recommendation of the Acting Police Chief to promote:

**Daniel Sherrick to the rank of Sergeant effective 01/24/2021;
Luke Lengfeld to the rank of Sergeant effective 03/07/2021;
Joseph Buccellato to the rank of Detective effective 02/07/2021; and
Katherine Bland to the rank of Detective effective 02/07/2021.**

The motion passed by voice vote/other.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Gundlach, seconded by Schauf, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

The meeting adjourned at 6:29pm.