

POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MANITOWOC

April 12th, 2016 Minutes

PRESENT:

Tom Bare
Paul Blashka
Michael Wellner
Mary Schilder
Matt Sauer

STAFF:

Todd Blaser-Fire Chief
Nick Reimer – Police Chief

1. Meeting called to order by: Tom Bare at 4:31PM
2. Approval of Minutes from 03-08-2016. Mary Schilder made a motion to accept and Paul Blashka seconded. All in favor. Approved as written.
3. Other discussion:
 - The new Handbook for Police and Fire Commissioners was handed out by Fire Chief Todd Blaser
 - The April meeting was the last one for Committee member Paul Blashka. He was invited to come back for the May meeting by Fire Chief Todd Blaser and Police Chief Nick Reimer for an appreciation ceremony.
 - The 2015 Annual Police Report was passed around for the committee to look at. It was also e-mailed to the members that have email.
4. Public input: NONE
5. Fire Chief Todd Blaser gave the following monthly update:
 - March has been the busiest month since 2012 with total calls. It was also the highest number of transports for the month. Chief stated they would continue to monitor the trend. The department had a resignation of a firefighter the end of March. The 5 people that were on the previous eligibility list have all taken employment elsewhere. Hopefully the department will have a list of candidates for the next PFC meeting. They are currently working with the City of Manitowoc's HR director to find good candidates. The department currently has 2 positions open and a 3rd position is on administrative leave without pay. Chief is not sure what the status is of that position. Heading into the summer months the calls go up and he would like to get the 3 positions up to the staffing level for the summer.
6. Police Chief Nick Reimer gave the following monthly update:
 - It was noted by committee member Michael Wellner that the adult charges doubled for the month of March. The chief stated that the number of adult charges were up for the month due to the types of calls.
 - Discussion was had on the Detective Sergeant Eligibility list from Police Chief Reimer. There was no written test for internal candidates. The department has historically promoted from within. Committee member Matt Sauer was involved on the interviews. The motion was made by Paul Blashka to accept the list and Matt Sauer second it. A vote was taken. All in favor.
 - The Police Officer eligibility list was reviewed by the committee. There are currently 2 openings. Chief Reimer stated he would like to hire 1 officer immediately and the second one just after the summer. Committee member Mary Schilder made a motion to accept the list and Paul Blashka seconded it. A vote was taken. All in favor.
7. As authorized by § 19.85 (1) (c) of Wisconsin Statutes Paul Blashka made a motion to Convene into closed session and Michael Wellner second it at 4:45PM to discuss the **(1) Report on a side letter to a last chance agreement and (2) Report on an employee discipline involving policy violations**

8. The committee Reconvened into open session at 5:20 PM. Mary Schilder made the motion and Matt Sauer seconded it. No discussion occurred.
9. 5:25PM Tom Bare made a motion to adjourn and Paul Blashka seconded it. Next meeting to take place on Tuesday, May 10th at 4:30PM. It should be noted that this meeting will be videotaped.