

POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, January 24, 2022

12:00 noon

Present: Mr. Whitrock, Mr. Giese, Mr. Flagel, Mr. Groeschel and Ms. Schiefelbein

Others: Mr. Davies, Mr. Mahoney, Mr. Ault, Mr. Fox, Mr. Deaver, Mr. Voss, Mr. Noel and Mr. Noll

1. Mr. Whitrock called the meeting to order and all members were noted present.
2. Mr. Giese motioned, duly seconded by Ms. Schiefelbein to approve the minutes of the meeting of December 21, 2021. The motion carried unanimously.
3. There was no one present to address the Commission.
4. Mr. Whitrock and on behalf of the entire Police and Fire Commission wanted to thank Officer Noll and let him know how proud they are of him from the letter of recognition received from the District Attorney's Office in reference to his work, going above and beyond with the investigation on a battery/bail jumping case.
- 5a. Upon motion by Mr. Flagel, duly seconded by Ms. Schiefelbein, the Police and Fire Commission voted unanimously to approve the vouchers.
- b. Mr. Giese motioned, duly seconded by Mr. Groeschel to approve the Police Department's confirmation of the promotion of Office Aimee Kontos to Sergeant. The motion was unanimously approved. Mr. Whitrock congratulated the Police Department with all the movement and special responsibilities they have been working on the past months.
6. Mr. Ault presented to Detective Sgt. Noel and Sgt. Mike Tracy the award from the International Homicide Investigator Assoc. for the work on the Sypher case. The intense work and investigation involved in the case, along with the 2 week trial, they accomplished what few detectives are able to do, a conviction of life in prison on a bodiless homicide. Det. Lepak from the Stevens Point Police Department also played an intricate part of the investigation. Mr. Ault stated he is very proud of them and this was a highlight in his career.
7. Mr. Fox informed the Commission members the promotion process for Sgt. has 4 candidates. The scoring was based on written test, oral boards and performance. Ms. Kontos was the front runner and was chosen as the next Sgt. Officer Roarke completed

his FTO. He is out on his own and doing a great job. Mr. Fox reported the Police Dept. took second place in the Red Kettle Campaign for the Salvation Army and also participated in the essay contest put on by Big E Outfitters. There was approximately a dozen contestants and the winner got to get to harvest a buck. Mr. Fox stated Shop with a Cop, because of covid was not again this year. The Police Department did their own Christmas gift delivery. Officers chose 20 family they have dealt with and felt were in need and deserving and delivered presents to those families on Christmas Eve. It went very well. When Shop with a Cop is resumed, the department may offer names of families. Mr. Fox stated the Detective Bureau is very busy. They are working on 10 new cases. Detective Sgt. Brent Thauer is doing a great job. Officer Fletcher should be starting at the PD on February 7th, providing the discharge from Army works out. Mr. Fox gave a hats off to the records staff for their work implementing the new computer system in the police department and a big thank you to Ms. Simkins for spearheading and the training of the new program. Mr. Fox also wanted to thank Mr. Ault for his mentorship for Police Chief position, without him, he doesn't know where he would be. Mr. Whitrock thanked and gave a hats off to the Police Department for all the hard work and dedication with all the changes they have gone through.

Mr. Deaver reports the Fire Department took 1st place for the Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign this year. Between the Plover Fire and Police Departments, they raised \$6,500. Mr. Deaver reports the Fire Department has been very busy with calls and holiday activities. Mr. Deaver wanted to thank the Village for treating full-time staff to lunch at the Sky Club and allowing the Christmas breakfast/white elephant gift exchange. They also had a holiday potluck on the 15th. It was enjoyed by everyone. Mr. Deaver informed the Commission members he did not know when the new vehicle replacing the 1994 rig would be ready. With the current supply and demand issues and covid, it might be as late as June. Mr. Giese questioned the selling of the old vehicle. This will with put on Wisconsin Surplus or to another fire department. Mr. Deaver stated the Building Inspectors have been very busy. They have had 34 new building permits, 11 duplexes. This is more than the city and the county combined. They are also helping the Town of Hull with new commercial properties.

Mr. Flagel motioned, duly seconded by Ms. Schiefelbein to approve the Police and Fire Chief's reports as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Ms. Schiefelbein motioned, duly seconded by Mr. Flagel and unanimously approved on a roll call vote, the Police and Fire Commission adjourned into Closed Session under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, compensation or performance data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Upon motion by Mr. Giese, duly seconded by Mr. Fligel and unanimously approved, the meeting was reconvened into open session.

There was no action taken.

Upon motion by Mr. Groeschel, duly seconded by Ms. Schiefelbein, the meeting was unanimously adjourned.



Chris Knippel, Police & Fire Commission Secretary

