

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Police and Fire Commission Held  
On Monday, April 16, 2018 pursuant to notice duly given**

1. Meeting called to order by President Young at 5:34 PM
2. Roll Call: Russ Young, Bill Carriveau, Joe Watt  
Excused: Cliff Martin Sheri Groll  
Also present: Captain Rehberg, Chief Reed, Administrator Perrizo and Police Clerk Zahn as recording secretary
3. Approval of Agenda  
**Moved by Watt, seconded by Carriveau to approve the agenda. M/C**
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from 03/19/18 and 4/02/18.  
**Moved by Young, Seconded by Watt to approve the minutes. 3 ayes**  
**Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.**
5. Public Input  
None.
6. Correspondence  
Church and Business Safety Seminar  
One seminar in Gillett on Thursday with 20 attendees, and one next week in Oconto with 25 attendees. Chief Reed and Captain Rehberg will each be taking a section to teach.
7. Discussion/Recommendation/Approval on:
  - a. Captain Rehberg made the request to purchase a new squad car for the department, pending the Council's outcome of carryover from last year which will be approximately \$39,500. The cost of a new squad is approximately \$29,000. There will be the cost of a light bar, the cost of the computer which will be bought through the county at a \$1,000 savings for \$2,500 which includes software. The cage has already been paid for. Rehberg to obtain bids for May's PFC.
  - b. Captain Rehberg advised that the department has 2 vacant officer positions. One new hire would need to be fully trained before filling the detective position internally. Rehberg emphasized the need to have a detective. When this roll falls back on the officers that means they may have to leave an interview to take a call for service, which can halt an investigation. There may also be a 4 day lag on follow up due to the officer's rotations. Currently officers are filling overtime slots due to the vacancies.

**Motion to post and interview for two vacant positions to be paid at the contractual rate.**

**Moved by Young, seconded by Carriveau.**

**3 ayes**

8. Review/recommendation on Police, Fire, and Rescue reports  
Rehberg reported in the month of March there were 38 ordinance violations with only 3 resulting in citations, moving towards the goal of compliance. There were 375 calls for service. The department conducted 91 traffic stops, resulting in 54 citations.  
Officer Crocker conducted Standard Field Sobriety Testing training for area officers. The police department participated in walking with the students for the national walk out. Members from Police, Fire and Rescue played in a dodgeball tournament with the students. Train the trainer was conducted in Oconto Falls for the Stop the Bleed program. 55 Highway Department workers received the training. On May 3<sup>rd</sup> officers will participate in a full scale Active Shooter Training in Oconto Falls. On May 12<sup>th</sup> the Police Department will be

conducting traffic control for the Miles for Madyson run. May 19<sup>th</sup> is the Bike Poker Run, on the same day the Police Department is sponsoring a fill the squad event at Thompson's County Market benefiting the Oconto Area Humane Society. Commendation was made to Officer Belongia for his life saving efforts at the structure fire on Huron Ave. Officer Belongia is also a paid on call fire fighter, his understanding of the conditions allowed him to get inside and save the occupant. The Police Department will be partnering with the Fire Department to receive cross training on fires. On May 11th the Elks Club will be washing headstones at the cemetery on Cook Ave. Officers will be out helping.

Chief Reed advised they will begin to promote the Stop the Bleed program in the City of Oconto. Initiation on collaborative training between Police and Fire on CPR, first aid and responses. Humvee is in service. It was the only vehicle capable in aiding in the recovery of stranded boaters. Discussion was made with Sheriff Jansen, Chief Deputy Janke, and Emergency Management Director Magnin regarding the use of the Humvee with the potential of flooding. Fire Department has taken measures in preparedness for potential flooding. Training for FD include; extrication classes, a fire inspection seminar, battalion chief training and training for mass casualty situations.

Commendation was also made by Chief Reed to Officer Belongia for his live saving efforts on Huron Ave and stressed the importance of training collaboration between the two departments. There was a potential for 3 lost lives and the training of those on scene eliminated that. Reed thanked the Police Department for their first to scene report of fires and ambulance calls which helps prepare responders.

**Moved by Young, Seconded by Carriveau to approve police, fire and rescue reports. 3 ayes**  
**Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.**

9. Review/approval on listings of accounts payables for Police in the amount of \$8,433.57 and Fire and Rescue in the amount of \$19,039.26.

**Moved by Watt, seconded by Carriveau on the approval of accounts payable. 3 ayes**  
**Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.**

10. **Moved by Watt, seconded by Young to adjourn at 6:04 pm 3 ayes**  
**Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.**

Respectfully Submitted:  
Elizabeth Zahn  
Police Clerk