

## Police Commission Minutes

1. Call to Order: May 7, 2020@ 6:30 p by Heatley, second by Lewis

Roll Call President Jon Heatley -present  
Brian Skamra -present  
Sec Steve Lewis -present  
Kevin Rosenau -present  
Arlo Reichter -present

Chief William Wallner -present  
Captain Troy Damsteegt - present  
Mayor Theodore Grant -present

1. Approval of Minutes of October 22, 2019

MOTION to accept minutes by Lewis, second by Rosenau  
Motion carries

1. Report and business from Chief Of Police

A: Discussion on eligibility list for hiring

Chief Wallner asked to void the previous eligibility list for a number of reasons, mostly because the majority of the remaining candidates received job offers from other law enforcement agencies and the recent resignation of Ofc Boyer.

B: Hiring Process

Chief Wallner stated that due to the COVID19 the RPD hiring process will need to be altered from previous hiring processes. Chief Wallner indicated RPD would eliminate the written test and continue with resume review, panel interviews with command staff, practical scenarios, physical pre-employment assessment, and thorough background investigations.

MOTION to void current legibility list and initiate a new eligibility list: by Rosenau, second by Skamra. Motion carries.

C: Department activity and COVID19 update

\*Officer Bret Meli has been employed for approximately 7 months and is going a good job and has completed the Field Training Officer program. Ofc Meli has received two commendations relating to a weapons call and rescue relating to a vehicle driving into Silver Creek.

\*RPD equipped LEO will PPE to include N95 masks, hand sanitizer, goggles, face shields, protective gowns, and gloves.

\*Chief Wallner established guidelines pertaining to PPE usage.

\*Chief Wallner indicated RPD attempts to mitigate exposure to COVID19 by accessing person to person contact by RPD personnel to include: limiting LEO response to non-emergency medical calls/calls of service, limiting self-initiated activities (minor traffic infractions) and scheduling LEO to minimum staffing for April and May.

\*Chief Wallner stated the narcotic OD issues have increased, stating that RPD typically responds to 7 to 10 OD issues per year and has responded to 7 OD issues in last three weeks. Chief Wallner stated the RPD continues to investigate these incidents and charges concerning several of these incidents are forthcoming.

\*Chief Wallner stated that traffic grants were suspended due to COVID19 and will be reinstated on/about May 15, 2020.

\*Officer Haring recently completed training for computer forensic investigations. Ofc Haring will be RPD Cellbrite examiner. Chief Wallner stated RPD is awaiting the forensic equipment/software to be set up. Chief Wallner stated that this initiative is a joint venture with the Waupun PD.

\*RPD entered an agreement with WIS HOPE which is an organization providing addiction and behavioral health resources, housing, and treatment. In January 2020, Sgt Michaels and Ofc Haring were awarded FDL County Officer of the year award for their work on a sexual assault investigation involving several victims. Furthermore, in Jan 2020, RPD LEO attended FDLCO in service training to include intoxilizer, taser, and CPR recertification.

\*Chief Wallner indicated the RPD 911 system experienced a recent failure. The system is currently operating, however, the system is old and will be expensive to replace. RPD will continue to monitor the 911 system.

\*Chief Wallner, Capt Damsteegt and RPD adm assistant recently attended an Open Records training. Chief Wallner stated that RPD receives a large number of open records requests on a weekly basis.

1. Citizen Input: No one present.

1. Other Business/Open Discussion: No other business or open discussion

1. Call to Adjourn @ 7:17 p.m. by Reichter, second by Rosenau

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary Steve Lewis