



City of Ladysmith

Police & Fire Commission **Meeting Minutes for January 16, 2019** **5 PM at the Ladysmith Fire Hall**

Present: Commission Members: Chairperson Cora Schultz, Mike Closs, Rick Nelson, Dan Gudis, Rick Nash, LPD Chief Kevin Julien, Fire Chief Kyle Gibbs, Assistant Fire Chief Shane Bishop, Mayor Alan Christianson Jr, City Council Liaison Bonnie Stoneberg.

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M. by C. Schultz.
2. Motion to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2018 meeting made by R. Nelson; seconded by M. Closs. Motion carried.
3. Motion to approve evening's agenda made by D. Gudis; seconded by R. Nelson. Motion carried.
4. Motion to approve monthly invoices made by M. Closs; seconded by R. Nelson. Motion carried.
5. Appearances by the public Dan Murray from the Town of Flambeau spoke regarding the rural fire contract rates.
6. Fire Chief's Report. Fire Chief Gibbs reported they were at 5 calls for service to date. Chief advised that they hired 4 new fire fighters: Brady Bishop, Josh Schuelke, Joe Hartman and Trey Webb. New replacement gear ordered. Chief advised that 4 per year will be ordered with use of the 2% funds vs having to budget \$60,000 plus dollars to cover a 1 time purchase. Chief advised that we need to set up a date for meeting with Town of Willard per Mary Jane Nelson. Will plan to meet at the Fire Hall and talk over new contract issues and possible rate increase.
7. Chief discussed rate increase for the townships for new fire contract starting on July 1, 2019.
8. Police Chief's Report. Police Chief Kevin Julien advised that he will have the yearly report done at February's meeting. Chief advised that he has had to be in contact with Attorney Mindy Dale regarding the records requests that he has been receiving. Chief advised that he will be re-advertising for the part-time position again and keep it open for the next 3-4 weeks. Chief advised that Officer Lihman will be starting part-time on Monday, January 14, 2019.
9. Next monthly meeting date set for February 20, 2019.
10. Motion to adjourn at 5:52 pm made by D. Gudis; seconded by R. Nelson. Motion carried.

Minutes are not official until they are approved at the following month's meeting

Respectfully submitted Kelly Engelhardt, Ladysmith Police Department

January 23, 2019