



City of Ladysmith

Police & Fire Commission **Meeting Minutes for October 21, 2020** **5 PM at the Ladysmith Fire Hall**

Present: Commission Members: Chairperson Cora Schultz, Mike Closs, Jennifer Pearson, Dan Gudis, Rick Nash, LPD Chief Kevin Julien, Fire Chief Kyle Gibbs

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:02 P.M. by M. Closs; seconded by D. Gudis. Motion carried.
2. Motion to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2020 meeting by D. Gudis; seconded by R. Nash. Motion carried.
3. Motion to approve evening's agenda made by M. Closs; seconded by R. Nash. Motion carried.
4. Motion to approve monthly invoices made by R. Nash; seconded by M. Closs. Motion carried.
5. Appearances by the public. None
6. Fire Chief's Report. Chief Kyle Gibbs advised 120 calls for service to date. Chief advised that 241/242/246 had pump testing and it did not go well. Chief advised the vacuum seals get sand in them and none of the trucks passed. Chief advised the cost to fix 242 is \$880, 241 \$121. Chief advised that 246 will be \$2500 but they are waiting until next year and that it can be used now until it gets fixed. Chief advised that the mason completed the exterior work. Chief advised that they will be replacing 3 exterior doors next month for a cost of \$10,000 and then 3 in 2021 and 3 in 2022. Chief advised the portable pump and accessories will be coming next month. Chief advised that Doug Pavlik completed the painting at the Fire Hall. Chief advised they have a meeting planned with the fire chiefs, EMS, Sheriff, and Captain Murray. Chief advised they will be discussing issues including radio traffic issues.
7. Discussion and possible action for \$500 raise for Chief starting 2021 was made by M. Closs; seconded by R. Nash. Motion carried.
8. Chief's Report. Chief Kevin Julien advised that overtime was 37 hours for the month. He advised that having the DP in the schedule now he can move that position to fill openings caused by vacation and sick which will keep overtime down. Discussion on gas prices and we will be checking monthly on what we pay from the county.
9. Chief discussed the Covid related issues happening with the department. We currently have two officers that have been or currently been quarantined for Covid or exposure. Training this month was mostly done online. Chief advised that the department had all but one officer show up for National Night Out. He advised that the event will very well dispute the Covid restrictions.
10. Next meeting is set for November 18, at 5:00 pm.
11. Motion to adjourn meeting at 5:53 pm made by D. Gudis; seconded by M. Closs. Motion carried.

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

Respectfully submitted Kelly Engelhardt, 11/13/20