



**Police & Fire Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes for October 18, 2023**  
**5 PM at the Ladysmith Fire Hall**

Chairperson Cora Schultz, Jennifer Pearson, John Pohlman III, Dan Gudis, Chief of Police Kevin Julien, Fire Chief Kyle Gibbs, Assistant Fire Chief Shane Bishop, Council Liaison Nathan Johnson, Mayor Robert Grotzinger, Terry Wedwick.

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:00pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Motion the minutes of the October 18, 2023 meeting made by J. Pohlman III seconded by J. Pearson. Motion carried
4. Motion to approve the evenings agenda made by J. Pearson; seconded by J. Pohlman III. Motion carried.
5. Motion to approve last month invoices motion made by J. Pohlman III; seconded by J. Pearson. Motion carried.
6. Appearances by the public: None

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

7. Fire Chief Kyle Gibbs reported that they are at 193 calls to date for service. Out of those calls 65 were ambulance assist calls. Chief advised that the department received a local anonymous donation of \$3000. Chief advised this will be used for new tracks for the Argo. Chief also advised that the department will be receiving \$1700 from Weather Shield foundation. Chief advised that they received 2 estimates for the new truck for approximately 675,000-695,000 for the bare bones of the truck. Will be looking for grants to help pay. Chief advised that the pump has been replaced for the in floor heating. They are considering upgrading the bay area with LED lights

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

8. Chief Kevin Julien advised that he met with the new principal at the OLS and did a walk through the school/safety assessment. Chief advised that he attended an all staff department meeting at the LMHS. Chief advised that himself, Kelly and Officer Ruff attended the career fair at the LMHS and there was a very good turnout. Chief advised that he handed out candy in the courthouse parking lot for Halloween and the turnout was great. Chief advised the department had low light fire arms and safety & blood born pathogens training. Chief advised overtime is lower this month.
9. Discussion on having an intern for 2024
10. Action to go into closed session under authority granted in S.S. 19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. To wit: Staffing Update/ Officer Promotion Motion made by D. Gudis; seconded by J. Pearson all in favor Gudis-yes, Schultz-yes, Pearson-yes, Pohlman III-yes. Motion carried.
11. Next meeting date December 20, 2023 at 5:00p.m.
12. Adjourn.