



# City of Ladysmith

## **Police & Fire Commission** **Meeting Minutes for Thursday, March 26, 2015** **5:30 P.M., Ladysmith Fire Hall**

**Present:** Commission Members: Cora Schultz, Rick Nash, Rick Nelson, Mike Closs, Jan Carter, LFD Chief Dave Tuma, LFD Assistant Chief Kyle Gibbs, LPD Chief Allen Lobermeier, LPD Lieutenant Kevin Julien, City Council Liaison Jim West, Media, Rusk County Emergency Management Director Tom Hall, Ladysmith City Councilman Mike Hraban.

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:30P.M. by Chairman Cora Schultz.
2. Motion to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2015 meeting was made by R. Nelson; seconded by M. Closs. Motion carried.
3. Motion to approve the evening's agenda made by J. Carter; seconded by M. Closs. Motion carried.
4. Motion to approve the monthly invoices was made by M. Closs; seconded by R. Nelson. Motion carried.
5. Appearance by:
  - Mike Hraban: Mr. Hraban presented the Commission members with a DOT rendering of proposed barrier at the railroad crossing on U.S. Hwy 8. An informational meeting will take place Monday, March 30, 2015 at 5:15 P.M. at City Hall Council Chambers. He urged everyone to attend. Mr. Hraban also made note of an Enbridge safety meeting taking place April 1, 2015

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

6. Ambulance Space: Mr. Hall appeared to answer any questions the Commission had regarding the Ambulance space at the Fire Hall. Mr. Hall remarked that he preferred to answer any questions rather than hear comments second hand. A discussion was held on several questions the Commission and LFD Chief Tuma had.
7. Retirement: LFD Chief D. Tuma read a letter of resignation from Mark Hanson effective March 16, 2015. Mr. Hanson has served the Ladysmith community with his volunteer service for 24 years. Commission wished to thank him for his service.
8. Chief's Report:
  - LFD Chief Tuma said he has filled the opening left by Mark Hanson's retirement with Steve Quinn. This brings the department back up to a total of 24 volunteers. LFD Chief Tuma will be interviewing seven additional candidates.
  - Election results for fire department positions:
    - Kyle Gibbs , Assistant Chief
    - Doug Pavlik, Fire Department Captain
    - Dana Duzy, Treasurer
    - George Murray, Public Safety
  - Fireman's Ball this Saturday, March 28 from 8:00 – Midnight.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

9. 2014 Budget:
  - Part of the 2015 budget has been offset by \$50,000.00 that remained from 2014 Police Department Fund balance.

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Respectfully submitted by Jan Carter, Secretary, Police and Fire Commission

10. 2015 Applications for Police Department Eligibility List: Tabled until closed session.
11. Chief's monthly report:
  - 1480 pounds of records were disposed of at Clear Water Paper.
  - LPD Chief Lobermeier reviewed activity for the month of February.
  - Overtime was down to 57.5 hours and calls are up from last year.
12. Motion 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: Replacing vacant position for the Ladysmith Police Department was made by R. Nelson; seconded by M. Closs. Roll call vote: M. Closs – yes, R. Nelson – yes, R. Nash – yes, C. Schultz – yes, J. Carter – yes. Motion carried.
13. Motion to return to open session made by J. Carter; seconded by R. Nelson. Roll call vote: M. Closs – yes, R. Nelson – yes, R. Nash – yes, C. Schultz – yes, J. Carter – yes. Motion carried.
14. Action on Closed Session: Motion giving LPD Chief Lobermeier to move forward with the interviewing process and making an offer of employment to fill upcoming vacancy in the department made by J. Carter; seconded by M. Closs. Motion carried.
15. Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 15, 2014 at 5:30 P.M at Ladysmith Fire Hall.
16. Motion to adjourn made by J Carter; seconded R. Nelson. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 P.M.