



City of Ladysmith

Police & Fire Commission **Meeting Minutes for June 26, 2019** **5 PM at the Ladysmith Fire Hall**

Present: Commission Members: Chairperson Cora Schultz, Mike Closs, Dan Gudis, LPD Chief Kevin Julien, Fire Chief Kyle Gibbs, Assistant Fire Chief Shane Bishop, Public Luke Klink, Ann Switzer, Dan Murray

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:01 P.M. by C. Schultz.
2. Motion to approve the minutes of the April 17, and May 15, 2019 meetings made by M. Closs; seconded by D. Gudis. Motion carried.
3. Motion to approve evening's agenda made by M. Closs; seconded by R. Nelson. Motion carried.
4. Motion to approve monthly invoices made by M. Closs; seconded by D. Gudis. Motion carried.
5. Appearances by the public. Luke Klink, Dan Murray, Ann Switzer. Dan Murray wanted to know exactly what his town as being charged for and he was advised it covers wages, maintenance etc. These include calls that the fire department is dispatched to not just fire calls.
6. Discussion on the new rural fire contract. Chief advised that 10-22 calls will be charged a flat rate of \$250 for calls that they are in route to but then called off. Chief advised that there will not be a charge for Jaws of Life because dispatch is determined by Rusk County Sheriff's Office not Fire Department.
7. Fire Chief's Report. Chief Kyle Gibbs advised that they had not received a repeater from a previous firefighter. Cora advised she would be working with Attorney Kenyon on getting a letter drafted to get this returned. Chief advised that he got a quote of \$4000 to have the hallway tiles replaced/floor repaired and this will be done in August. Chief advised that he spoke with Josh Larsen about a new roof/shingles and will be getting a quote. Chief advised that they will be using the DNR grant for portable radios and pagers.
8. Chief's Report. Chief Kevin Julien advised recent calls that the LPD had that made the paper such as 3 Arson incidents, drug warrant, motorcycle fatality and the male who exposed himself at the library. Chief advised that this last month he has attended many meetings this Monday he had 5 meetings in the day. Chief advised that the department recently attended CPR training, Rifle/handgun recertification, and pursuit training which took place at the airport. Chief advised that he issued a residence a vicious dog letter which was later overturned by the Animal Control Board. Chief advised that Officer Fisher/Officer Stolp needed extra hours for training so he and Officer Stolp shot around 1900 rounds. Chief advised that the LPD is 200 calls ahead of 2017 and around 125 calls ahead of 2018. Chief advised that most of the calls that have went up are assist RCSO, mental health, sex offenses and traffic crashes. Chief advised that these type of calls take up more of the officers time.
9. Motion to adjourn at 5:49 pm made by D. Gudis; seconded by M. Closs. Motion carried.
10. Next meeting is set for July 17, 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted Kelly Engelhardt, Ladysmith Police Department

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