



City of Ladysmith

Police & Fire Commission **Meeting Minutes for August 17, 2022** **5 PM at the Ladysmith Fire Hall**

Rick Nash, Jennifer Pearson, Cora Schultz, LPD Chief Kevin Julien, Fire Chief Kyle Gibbs, Assistant Fire Chief Shane Bishop, Town of Big Falls Dave Zimmer, Mayor Bob Grotzinger.

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm.
2. Motion to approve the Minutes of the July 20, 2022 made by R. Nash; seconded by J. Pearson. Motion carried.
3. Motion to approve evening's agenda made by J. Pearson; seconded by N. Nash. Motion carried.
4. Motion to approve last months invoices made by J. Pearson; seconded by R. Nash. Motion carried.
5. Appearances by the public none.
6. Fire Chief's Report. Chief Kyle Gibbs advised that they are at 117 calls to date. Chief advised that the pancake feed at the Mardi Gras went well.
7. Discussion on the City purchasing the two rural tankers #244 and #245 from the Rural Fire Protection Group. The contract is in place until 2024 so nothing will be changed at this time.
8. Chief's Report. Chief Kevin Julien that the department has been busy filling up the jail. Chief advised that the department had training for active shooter and force on force training. Chief advised that Rusk County has a new District Attorney which he met with. Chief also advised that Rusk County has a new Judge so there are a lot of changes happening.
9. Discussion and possible action on purchasing a new patrol squad in 2023. Chief was advised to get quotes.
10. Discuss future meeting with Labor Association of Wisconsin/Police Union. Union contact is set to expire December 31, 2022. Discussed possible dates for negotiations being 8/24, 8/30, 8/31. Chief will contact them and see what works for them.
11. Next meeting is set for September 21, 2022 at 5:00 pm
12. Motion to adjourn meeting made at 5:40 pm made by C. Schultz; seconded by R. Nash. Motion carried.

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

Respectfully submitted Kelly Engelhardt, 8/10/22