

The meeting was called to Order by Ald. Smith at 6:00p.m. with the following Roll Call:

Members Present: Ald. Smith, Ald. Forster, Ald. Frings

Members Absent:

Others Present: Mayor Boelk, Ald. Toellner, Ald. Henkel, Ald. Olson, Christine Churchill, Greg Zipfel, John Wild, Doug Wickersham, Mike Thoreson, Kevin Ditmar, Tom Jaquot, Jack Hurst, Chief Ketchem, Lt. Toellner

Item #2 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Item #3 Approve the minutes of the February 25, 2019 meeting.

Motion by Ald. Forster, second by Ald. Frings to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2019 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #4 Citizens Comments.

None.

Item #5 Monthly EMS Report.

Christine gave report.

- A. Calls for service report: They are incredibly busy. They haven't covered for Horicon in a month. They did pick up the Quad graphics contract again. They are ahead of where they were last year.
- B. Staffing Update: Staffing they are doing well. They hired a new driver that is training. They have 2 that have to take the written part of their test.
- C. Training updates: They are headed to Quad to do their training this month. They will do a drill with the first responders. They do a lot of calls with Brownsville.
- D. Discuss 2019 Ambulance purchase: They are finalizing the ambulance purchase. The price will go up. They have a team that is working together on the purchase. They will be selling the oldest update.

Ald. Smith questioned the driver. This is the same driver as last month. He was on vacation.

Ald. Frings questioned the ambulance purchase. If they are losing a community, is it necessary to have a 3rd ambulance? Christine assured that their numbers are higher than ever. She provided data on other communities regarding calls and ambulance numbers. The Williamstown/Kekoskee contract is less than 40 calls per year. Even with losing that contract and not covering Horicon, their numbers are still higher this year. Quad will be 30-40 calls per year additional. That will make up what was lost with Williamstown/Kekoskee. Ald. Toellner questioned the number of quotes received for the ambulance. There is only 1 quote from Lifeline Ambulance. It is a local, USA made ambulance which is important that everything is in the same spot as their previous ambulance. The cot mechanism is increasing the price. They did not request bids from any other ambulance makers. The Mayor questioned the Quad contract. There is no contract as it is in the Town of Lomira. They would like to see another bid to justify the current bid. The price will go up \$2,100 as of April 1st. Christine noted that in years past they didn't need to bring it back to Finance as they will still be within budget. The Mayor noted that we budget for the money and it is authorized, but the question of a 3rd ambulance is separate.

Item #6 Monthly Fire Department Report.

Mike gave report.

- A. Equipment update: There is an issue with the lift mechanism and the battery on one of the engines. They did the 5-year test when it was cold out so they didn't do some of the water flow tests. The waterway is corroded and they are recommending that we don't use it under a lot of pressure.

They can feed the waterway out of one of the pumps, but generally don't. There is a possibility that it will fail if they use it. It may not be an easy repair. They may have them come back and test the waterway. They are waiting to hear back on the cables. It is 26-27 years old and they have had it for 7 years. They are finishing up the exhaust ventilation system with a private electrician. Next Monday they will be doing yearly tests of the SCBAs.

- B. Staffing update: They are currently having one member resigning because he is moving out of state. Officers class is going well and will be finished in May. They have 2 other members finishing training. They are waiting for more training to be offered.
- C. Fire Call update: They are at 23 calls for the year. They had EMS assists, mutual aid for a structure fire and a few flooding calls.

Ald. Toellner questioned the fire suppressants. Brad has been looking at some options. Brad and Jon are doing classes every Monday through the middle of May. The Mayor said that the cost wasn't going to be worth it. Ald. Toellner has a concern about day time calls.

Item #7 Monthly Police Department Report.

Chief Ketchem and Lt. Toellner gave report.

- A. Radar Sign: They have received numerous complaints about speeding trucks on South John Street. They have run radar, even with a personal vehicle and there were a couple of speed arrests. This is an ongoing issue. There are a few options. They have looked into adding a stop sign to prevent the speeding. Another option would be another electronic speed sign. The Chief received quotes. The cheapest is an 11-inch display with direct wiring. He discussed the difference of the one on Main Street. Ald. Olson thanked them for going through the trouble of the signs. She wondered how much it would cost for a camera or a round-a-bout. The cameras are expensive; approximately \$40,000-\$50,000. She also questioned becoming certified to become a radar inspector. You need to be certified as a law enforcement officer. They also checked into flashing lights and discussed the quotes. Ald. Olson noted that it is not just the clay trucks, it is all vehicles. Ald. Toellner noted that a stop sign will make it noisier and dustier because of the brakes and the restarting. Ald. Olson discussed people selling their homes on John Street. It was discussed getting clay from other places than Fond du Lac, but that is not an option. Ald. Smith discussed negotiating a contract with the landfill and asking them to avoid town. There is an option of a class action lawsuit. Ald. Frings believes that the signs seem to work. The route of the trucks was discussed. There was discussion on how the lighted signs are set up. They do have a radar trailer that is portable. When the trucks use Main Street there are residents that are impacted there as well. There was discussion of other types of caution signs that could be used. It was noted that a camera system isn't generally placed in residential areas. They will continue focusing on enforcement. If they see a marked car, they alert others. Ald. Frings noted that they could contact the landfill or use a part-time officer. Ald. Forster thinks the signs are a step in the right direction. Ald. Olson thinks signs will be a waste of money. Discussion continued about stop signs and noise. Lt. Toellner thinks the best idea is a radar sign going south out of town and a stop sign north coming into town. There is not money in the budget for this. This is an issue that can be addressed later on with the landfill. DPW will put up the stop sign for approximately \$100. Ald. Forster would like a report back on this.

Motion by Ald. Frings, second by Ald. Forster to add a North bound stop sign on John Street and the Safe Pace 100, 11" direct wired radar sign going South bound. Motion carried 3-0.

- B. CIB Audit: The Chief reported they passed their audit, but they need to separate the network from City Hall. They will need to get a new server and firewall. The IT department is working with Dodge County with the Spillman software. It will be approximately \$8,000-\$10,000. They have to get it done within 3 years. It is not immediate, but the Watchguard server is full. The sooner they can get it done the better.

- C. Municipal Court: They met with Beaver Dam Municipal Court. They were hoping to join the municipal court. Waupun just joined, so they are look at adding Mayville at the end of this year or early next year. There will be a cost with software for \$1,200-\$1,500. There is a cost of \$765 per year maintenance fee. The city will receive \$5 more per citation. The fines would be reduced which will increase settlements and reduce attorney fees by \$4,800/year. There will be flexibility for court time. The City would gain \$3,000-\$5,000 per year just from the extra \$5 fees. There also will be a savings of \$2,800 on over time savings from reduced time in court for the officers. This will be a positive. No action needed at this time. Attorney Madden is working with the City of Beaver Dam. After the ordinances are drafted, they will come to the Council. Discussion on a motion. Ald. Smith encourages them to pursue this.
- There was discussion on taking action on the reports.

Item #8 Discuss/Approve Temporary Class “B” for St. Mary’s School Bucks, Bags & Beer event to be held on April 6, 2019.

Motion by Ald. Forster, second by Ald. Frings to approve the Temporary Class “B” for St. Mary’s School Bucks, Bags & Beer event to be held on April 6, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #9 Adjournment.

Motion by Ald. Forster, second by Ald. Frings to adjourn at approximately 7:08 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by Greg Zipfel Comptroller-Treasurer, typed by Sara Decker, City Clerk