

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair Gene Frings with the following roll call:

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
Gene Frings	Chair	Present	
Jack Abbott	Aldersperson	Present	
Joseph Riese	Aldersperson	Present	

Others present: Mayor Boelk, Ald. Henkel, Ald. Olson, Ald. Smith, Brad Marx, Jon Borst, Sara & John Guinn, Elijah Riese, Julie Staffin, Christine Churchill, Chief Ketchem, Lt. Toellner, Jack Hurst, Nick Chickowski, Rick Fink, Sara Decker

**PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Approve the Minutes of the November 22, 2021 and January 10, 2022 Meetings**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Jack Abbott, Aldersperson
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Joseph Riese, Aldersperson
<b>AYES:</b>	Frings, Abbott, Riese

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None.

**MONTHLY EMS REPORT**

Christine & Julie gave report.

**Calls for Service Report**

They finished 2021 with well over 1,000 calls for service.

**Staffing Update**

They will always consider applications when they come in. They may start actively recruiting if they are assisting neighbors.

**Training Update**

They are sticking to online training to keep people safe. They are going to work on clinical decision making and reviewing how staff are doing. They are discussing PTSD and reviewing calls. They will be working with med control in March.

**Annual Report**

This will be done next month.

**MONTHLY FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Brad & Jon gave report.

**Equipment Update**

They have all the 2021 inspections done and maintenance finished up. There hope to be able to schedule 2022s earlier.

**Staffing Update**

They ended the year with 22 firefighters, but are down to 20. The newest firefighter is starting classes tomorrow.

**Fire Call Update**

They had 118 calls for 2021. They detailed the type of calls. They also did community outreach.

**MONTHLY POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Chief Ketchem gave report.

**Equipment**

They ordered a new squad car and were notified Chevy canceled the order. They are working with someone that ordered an extra Tahoe and they should be able to get it within the budget. Hoping to have it February/March.

**Calls for Service**

There is an increased calls for service. They were close to 5,000 calls in 2021. They are trying to keep officers safe and away from covid.

**OTHER ITEMS OF DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION**

**Discuss with Possible Action No Parking Signs on the West Side of Furnace Street Between Kekoskee Street and Taylor Street**

There was discussion on traffic congestion on Furnace Street when people are parking on the West side and trucks are lining up on the East side. The majority of them are employees at Old Fashioned Foods. After discussion they decided on no parking on the west side of Furnace Street from Kekoskee to Taylor and truck loading on the East Side.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Jack Abbott, Alderperson
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Joseph Riese, Alderperson
<b>AYES:</b>	Frings, Abbott, Riese

**Discuss with Possible Action Amending Ordinance 397-7(O)(5) Parking Restrictions-Snow Events and Snow Emergencies**

The Chief explained that the fine still reads \$25 and would like it to read that it would follow the schedule of fees. DPW is asking to change this ordinance back to the old ordinance of no parking from 1am-6am. There have been so many cars parked on the street that they are having an issue plowing. It was changed to make it more convenient for the residents, but it is not working. They would leave the ordinance the same this year, but revisit it.

Table til after April.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>TABLED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Jack Abbott, Alderperson
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Joseph Riese, Alderperson
<b>AYES:</b>	Frings, Abbott, Riese

**Discuss with Possible Action Repealing Ordinance 397-18 (D) Penalty for Overtime Parking Violations-Parking Meters**

This ordinance enforced fines for parking meters. We no longer have them, so don't need them. Motion to repeal ordinance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Joseph Riese, Alderperson  
**SECONDER:** Jack Abbott, Alderperson  
**AYES:** Frings, Abbott, Riese

**Discuss with Possible Action, Parking Lot at New Library Site**

This was discussed to add the new city lot across the street from the new library site to the list of city parking lots that require a permit. The parking lot is in rough shape, so will need to repair. DPW already maintains it. There was discussion on drafting a letter out of courtesy. Motion to designate it as a municipal lot and have parking rules that go with it for the new library parking lot.

**RESULT:** APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Gene Frings, Chair  
**SECONDER:** Jack Abbott, Alderperson  
**AYES:** Frings, Abbott, Riese

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion

Adjourn at 6:53 p.m.

**RESULT:** CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Jack Abbott, Alderperson  
**SECONDER:** Joseph Riese, Alderperson  
**AYES:** Frings, Abbott, Riese

Sara Decker, City Clerk