



MINUTES OF THE POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2020, 12:00 PM
Virtual Meeting. Public may join via Zoom.

A. ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION.

I. This item contains documents which provide call in information and instructions for the Zoom Meeting.

B. ROLL CALL.

Present: Rod Goldhahn, Nancy Schopf, Warren Wanezek, and Rashad Cobb.
Absent: Marian Boyle-Rohloff.

Others Present: Fire Chief David Litton, HR Generalist Jen Smits and others.

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Moved by Commissioner Rashad Cobb, seconded by Commissioner Nancy Schopf to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Yes- Nancy Schopf, Rod Goldhahn, Warren Wanezek, Rashad Cobb, No- None, Abstain- None

D. REGULAR BUSINESS.

I. Request to modify the 2020-2021 fire fighter recruitment process to allow part-time Bellevue fire fighters to apply for vacant full-time fire fighter positions contingent upon the Common Council approving the Green Bay Metro Fire Department merger with the Bellevue Fire Department.

Moved by Commissioner Warren Wanezek, seconded by Commissioner Rashad Cobb to approve.

Motion carried.

Yes- Nancy Schopf, Rod Goldhahn, Warren Wanezek, Rashad Cobb, No- None, Abstain- None

E. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved by Commissioner Warren Wanezek, seconded by Commissioner Nancy Schopf to adjourn.
Motion carried.

Yes- Nancy Schopf, Rod Goldhahn, Warren Wanezek, Rashad Cobb, No- None, Abstain- None

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- [Jennifer Smits] Okay, we're all set.
- [Rod Goldhahn] Okay, this is Rod Goldhahn, President of the Commission. I would like to call this special September 30th meeting of the Police and Fire Commission to order. We'll start with roll call. Vice-President Schopf?
- [Nancy Schopf] Present.
- Commissioner Boyle Roloff?
- Marian, are you there?
- I don't see her,
- I guess not. I thought Jen thought that she was there, but, uh, Commissioner Cobb?
- [Rashad Cobb] Present.
- Commissioner Wanezek?
- Here.
- [Rod Goldhahn] Okay. All right, thank you. So, uh, all are present, except for commissioner Boyle-Rohloff and we'll, we'll keep an eye out for her sign in. One item on the agenda. Is there a motion to approve?
- So moved.
- [Nancy Shoopf] So moved.
- Moved by Commissioner Cobb? Is there a second?
- [Nancy Schopf] Second.

- Seconded by Commissioner Schopf. Any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor.

- [Nancy Schopf] Aye.

- [Rod Goldhahn] Any opposed? Okay, the agenda has been approved. We have one agenda item and it's the request to modify our 2020-2021 firefighter recruitment process to allow part-time Bellevue Firefighters to apply for vacant full time positions contingent upon the Common Council approving the Green Bay Metro Fire Department merger with the Bellevue Fire Department. Just some background. The Police and Fire Commission has to approve whatever process we use for recruiting and hiring police and firefighter candidates. Currently in the fire-fighting arena we channel all of our applications through Fox Valley Tech, that's provided some convenience for us and it's also opened up our pool to a lot more candidates. Now with an upcoming proposed merger with Bellevue their Town Board voted unanimously to begin negotiations with Green Bay to merge the Fire Departments and as part of that Bellevue currently has full time firefighters and part time firefighters. If the merger's approved their full time firefighters would become part of the new broader organization. But Green Bay doesn't have part time firefighters. So any of those individuals, if they wish to become full time in the broader organization, would need to apply. If we stayed with our current application process, they would have to go to Fox Valley Tech and applied to that process. The chief is requesting we modify our process to allow them a very simpler application process to apply directly with the department here in Green Bay and then be able to be brought into the system in that manner. Is that pretty accurate chief?

- [Chief Litton] Yep, dead on.

- [Rod Goldhahn] Okay. So, again this is the motion before. So the proposal before us is to modify the process this year to allow that to happen. Any questions you have for the chief before we request the motion? Okay. And the chief is supportive of this and it just makes sense. These folks have got the experience and they will and the Bellevue department has the experience with them. So it allowed them a simpler process to apply, I think, as a positive for everybody concerned. So with that, I will request a motion as pertaining to the agenda item.

- No move

- Motion by Commissioner Wanezek. Is there a second?

- [Rashad Cobb] Second.

- [Rod Goldhahn] Second by Commissioner Cobb. Any further discussion? Okay. With that, all those in favor.

- [Multiple speakers] Aye.

- [Rod Goldhahn] Opposed? Alright, the motion carries unanimously. I see we have some visitors on the call, I assume most of those folks are from the Bellevue Fire Department or Bellevue community. Do you folks have any questions? Okay, I guess not. With that, that was our only agenda item. So I appreciate folks attending and letting us get through this with that. I'll ask for a motion to adjourn.

- [Multiple speakers] So moved.

- Moved by Commissioner Wanezek.
- [Nancy Schopf] Second.
- Seconded by Commissioner Schopf? All those in favor?
- [Mutiple Speakers] Aye.
- Any opposed? All right, we are adjourned.
- Thank you all very much.
- Thank you
- [Nancy Schopf] Thanks everyone.
- Thank you for your consideration. I appreciate it.
- Okay. Thank you, chief.