



City of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin
Meeting Minutes
City Hall, Conference Room, 113
205 S. Lincoln Avenue
Tuesday, October 8, 2024
5:00 PM

1) Call to Order – Roll Call

President O'Connor called the October 8, 2024 PFC meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Commission members present were Bill Lafler, Mike Stephens, Rebecca Robbins and Thea O'Connor.

2) Approval of Minutes

a) Approval of September 10 meeting minutes

Lafler made a motion to approve the September 10, 2024, minutes as presented, seconded by Stephens, motion carried by acclamation.

3) Presentations & Reports

a) K-9 introduction and presentation from Officer Bublitz.

Officer Bublitz introduced K-9 Murph to the members present. He explained Murph's background and duties.

b) Mayor's comments

Mayor Wissell commented that he received two correspondences from residents recently regarding city ordinances.

c) City Administrator's report

City Administrator Nathan Thiel commented that there was a budget workshop with the council and department heads last week.

The Mayoral debate is Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Veteran's Center.

4) Fire Department Business

a) Update commission on the operations of the Fire Department

- Chief Wesle reviewed the September operations report
 - We had an unusual high number (7) of structure fires that month.
 - He appreciated the help that Lt. Retzlaff provided for the residents at the Lakecrest apartment fire.
- We are accepting applications for POC positions until November 8 with an anticipated start date of January 1, 2025.
- We purchased 2 saws with the Generac donation.
- On Friday, October 11, Dr. Lassner will be conducting quarterly EMS training for the department's paramedics and EMTs.
- The relationship with Dr. Lassner as our medical director is going well.
- We completed the required annual hose testing in September.

- We are hosting a driver/operator course through MPTC this semester.
- We are still working on the contract with Marshfield Medical Center for restocking medications from their pharmacy.
- Between our finance department and EMS|MC, we have figured out some of the billing issues.
- We received a grant for \$1,680 from the DNR where we will be getting 5 pagers and an electric saw.
- We are currently fully staffed. However, we have 1 on work comp, 3 attending medic school, 1 at fire school, and 1 going to physical therapy on a regular basis.

5) Police Department Business

a) Update commission on the operations of the Police Department

- The department has an agreement with the University of Wisconsin Ag department to do any emergency care on K-9 Murph.
- K-9 Murph was the officer who searched out the gun from the incident last night.
- A former Dodge County deputy thanked the department for their help.
- Their department's budget for 2024 is still on track.
- They provided mutual aid for the Dodge County Sheriffs' Office for the Trump rally. They provided traffic control.
- Chief reviewed the activities from September.
- Next week, they will be interviewing 13 candidates for the one open officer position.

6) Any Other Business for Placement on Future Agenda

7) Closed Session

- a) Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute SEC. 19-85(1)(c). Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the government body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, in particular to discuss the wage and compensation study.

Robbins made a motion to enter into closed session to discuss the wage and compensation study, seconded by Lafler. Motion carried by acclamation.

The commission entered into closed session at 5:40pm.

Discussion was had with respect for the subject matter for which closed session was noticed.

- b) Commission may reconvene in open session to act upon any/all items discussed or deliberated during closed session.

The commission did not reconvene in open session.

8) Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 5:59 pm while in closed session.