Minutes of the Port Edwards Police and Fire Commission

Regular meeting – Monday, November 7th, 2022 – 5 p.m.@ Buehler Center

Present: Commissioners Blum, Kasten, Stewart, Weiland and Thomasgard. Also present were Police Chief Drew, Fire Chief Worden and Firefighter Jeff Abley. No other citizens were present.

Meeting was called to order by President Stewart at 5:03 p.m. There were no additions to the agenda but Pres. Stewart noted a typo in the current agenda. Item 9 should refer to section 8 of today's agenda instead of section 7.

Minutes of the October 10th Special meeting were approved. Motion by Blum, second by Kasten. All in favor. There was no public comment.

Chief Drew reported that, due to a budget shortfall, the hiring of the proposed 4th officer will be put on hold until funding becomes available, possibly until 2024 unless grants or other sources develop.

Chief Worden reported that the FD has been busy with the projected 2022 year showing over 100 responses, mostly medical/EMS calls.

The Commission voted to go into closed session pursuant to WI Statute 10.85(1)(c) at 5:12 p.m. to discuss a specific PEFD applicant and to receive a report concerning another applicant interview from FD Liaisons Thomasgard and Kasten. The commission voted to return to open session at 6:03 p.m. Motion by Kasten, second by Blum. All in favor.

Following the return to open session, the Commission voted to appoint applicant Cole Schuerman as an Associate FF. Motion by Blum, second by Weiland. All in favor. The Commission then voted to direct the FD Liaisons to conduct an interview with applicant Autumn Alfuth. Motion by Kasten, second by Blum. All in favor. There were no additional commissioner comments.

Next regularly scheduled PEPFC meeting will be on Monday, December 5th at 5 p.m. @ Buehler Center. Motion by Weiland, second by Kasten to adjourn at 6:08 p.m. All in favor.

Leo Thomasgard

PEPFC Secretary