

Welcome to the
City of Menasha



MENASHA POLICE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
12/12/2019

Vice President James Meinke called the meeting to order December 12, 2019 at 4:32 PM, Menasha Safety Building, 430 First Street, Menasha, Wisconsin

Present: James Meinke, Tony Gutierrez, Jerry Jakubek, Nancy Ball and Chief Styka

Absent: Jason Dionne

Minutes to Approve: Tony Gutierrez moved to approve the October 18, 2019 draft meeting minutes. Jerry Jakubek the motion. The Commission unanimously approved the minutes.

Old Business: Discussion of election of committee officers. It was decided to hold off until a later meeting as President Dionne was unable to attend.

Outgoing Correspondence: None

New Business: James Meinke and Nancy Ball provided a report from the Police and Fire Commissioners Training that was held in Stevens Point. The course was put on by the League of Municipalities. Commissioner Meinke indicated that he felt the Commission was on the right path. He felt many of the items the group has addressed and their role in the hiring process was exactly what they should be doing. Commissioner Ball also said the training was valuable and helped her have a better understanding of her role on the Commission.

Chief Styka Report:

Training:

- Bulletproof Mind and Spirit: Schanke (4 hrs)
- 2019 CIB Conference: Sawyer, J. Groeschel and Sahr (20 hrs.)
- Sexual Assault Investigations: Cook and Heidemann (16 hrs)
- Operation Rush Conference: Nelson (27 hrs)
- Reid Technique of Interviewing: Patterson (24 hrs)
- 2019 Courthouse Dogs Conference: Jorgenson (24 hrs)
- Annual Taser Recertification: All Sworn Personnel
- Police Mountain Bike Event: Spiegel, Gennrich & Schanke (4 hrs)
- Overdoes Death Investigations: Cook (8 hrs)
- Evidence Property Room Management: Sewall (16 hrs)
- ICAC Response to Online Sexual Exploitation of Children: Sawyer & Gallagher (12 hrs)

- CVMIC Soft Skills: Schulz (8 hrs)
- CART New Member Training: Gallagher (8 hrs)
- SPEAR Training: Hoernke, Oberle & Oleszak (8 hrs)
- Less Lethal Munitions Instructor: Schulz (8hrs)
- Fighting from and Around Vehicles: Edwards (4 hrs)
- TraCS User Conference: Schulz & Gallagher (16 hrs)
- YASI Phase 2 Kickoffs: Thorn (2 hrs)
- Evidence Tech School: Thorn & Cook (40 hs)
- ARIDE: Rotta (16 hrs)
- IACP Conference: Thorn, Lenss, Schulz, Styka & Spiegel (24 hrs)
- Wisconsin Human Trafficking: Cook (16 hrs)
- Ultimate Training Officer: Horenke & Abrahamson (16 hrs)
- Death Investigation Course: Thorn (24 hrs)
- Trauma Informed LE response to Sexual Assaults: Cook, Heidemann, Sawyer & Patterson (16 hrs)
- BOLA Wrap Demo: Hoernke (2 hrs)
- LESB Instructor Updates: Oleszak and Hoernke (8 hrs)

Department Updates:

- Training Updates:
 - Kellen Gennrich, Katelyn Oberle, Richard Heinen, Matthew Schanke, John Van Schyndel and Derrick Rotta are all in solo patrol.
 - Rick Heinen and Matt Schanke are set to present their probationary problem over the next month.
 - Jason Frederickson and Michael Onley are currently in field training.
 - Aaron Schaefer will graduate from the academy on Friday (December 13) and will begin his field training starting in January.
- The police department budget was approved as presented.
- We are currently working on the Department Meeting which will be held January.
- Chuck Sahr and Adam Schulz have successfully completed their 6 month probationary period in their positions and it is recommended they be removed from probation status. **Tony Gutierrez made the motion for both Deputy Chief Chuck Sahr and Lt. Adam Schulz to be removed from probationary status. This motion was approved 4-0.**
- The officers have been exploring various different schedule options. We will be exploring this into 2020.
- Over the past few months our investigative unit (including investigators, MEG and SRO officers) have been working on some very complex and challenging investigations. Under the direction of Lt. Thorn they have handled these issues in a very thorough manner treating those involved with the utmost of respect.

Motion to adjourn: At 5:34pm Tony Gutierrez made the motion to adjourn. This was seconded by Nancy Ball.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, February 13, 2020 starting at 4:30 pm. Menasha Safety Building, 430 First Street, Menasha, Wisconsin.

Menasha alderpersons occasionally attend meetings of this body. It is possible that a quorum of Common Council, Board of Public Works, Administration Committee, Personnel Committee, may be attending; however no official Action of any of these bodies will be taken.

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