

LADUE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES

October 12, 2015

Present:

Col. William Francis Jr., Chairman

Ms. Carol D. Gaskin

Mr. L. Shepley Hermann

Mr. John Schaperkotter

Mr. John Stupp

Mayor Nancy Spewak

Also present were Police Chief Rich Wooten, Fire Chief Steve Lynn and Assistant Fire Chief Jeff Johnson.

Chairman Francis called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

The agenda was approved upon motion by Commissioner Gaskin and second by Commissioner Stupp.

The minutes of the September 14, 2015 meeting were approved upon motion by Commissioner Stupp and second by Commissioner Hermann.

During an opportunity for public comment none was offered.

There were no questions on the Fire Department monthly report.

Fire Chief Lynn reported that the pump on 3990 failed the annual test. 3990 is the reserve truck and is a vital part of the department's equipment. This is the original pump from 1997. The repair will cost about \$9,600.00. Two vendors are certified to make the repair. While this is not a budgeted expense there is money in the budget that was to be used for replacement of the HVAC at House 1. With the anticipated replacement of House 1 the HVAC replacement will not be necessary, so these funds could be used for the pump repair. Banner Fire Equipment has the lower of the two bids.

It is the Chief's recommendation that the repair be performed by Banner Fire Equipment. It was questioned if there was a warranty with the pump repair. Chief Lynn indicated that he did not know but would check on this.

Chairman Francis moved that the Commission endorse the Chief's recommendation for the pump repair pending the determination of a warranty on the pump, seconded by Commissioner Hermann, which motion passed unanimously.

Fire Chief Lynn explained that the 2015 budget includes the purchase of two thermal imaging cameras. The old cameras are being upgraded to new technology. We would like to purchase one camera, have the pumper repaired, then evaluate to determine if the budget will allow for the purchase of the second camera.

It was noted that endorsement by the Commissioners is not needed for the purchase of the thermal imaging camera. This purchase is approved by the City Council.

Police Chief Wooten reported that Sergeant Wagner retired on June 1st. Seven officers participated in the promotion process. An outside company provided the written tests. After the tests were scored there were five eligible candidates. After conducting interviews the top two candidates were Brian Dieckmann and Jerry Schwartz.

It is Chief Wooten's recommendation that Brian Dieckmann be promoted to Sergeant. Chief Wooten stated that it is anticipated that another Sergeant will retire at year end. It is his recommendation to promote Jerry Schwarz to Sergeant at that time.

Commissioner Gaskin moved to endorse Police Chief Wooten's recommendation to promote Brian Dieckmann to Sergeant, seconded by Commissioner Schaperkotter, which motion passed unanimously.

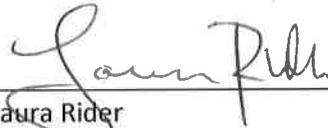
The Commissioners determined that Chief Wooten should present the other Sergeant promotion at year end when the retirement is official.

Fire Chief Lynn reported that the driveway bump at Firehouse 2 is in the process of being repaired. Jen Kissinger, with Paric, was instrumental in getting the warranty information and manuals for House 2.

Commissioner Stupp moved adjournment, seconded by Commissioner Hermann, which motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.



William Francis, Jr.
Chairman



Laura Rider
City clerk