

LADUE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES

April 10, 2017

Present:

Col. William Francis Jr., Chairman

Mr. John Schaperkotter

Ms. Carol D. Gaskin

Mr. L. Shepley Hermann

Mr. John Stupp (arrived 4:08 p.m.)

Mr. Stephen Jones

Mayor Nancy Spewak (arrived 4:55 p.m.)

Also present were Police Chief Rich Wooten, Police Captain Darin McClure, Fire Chief Steven Lynn and Assistant Fire Chief Jeff Johnson.

Chairman Francis called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm.

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

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 13, 2017 were amended to correct the spelling of "Commissioner" in two places on page 2, paragraph 5 and "second" changed to "seconded" on page 3, paragraph 2 last line. The minutes as amended were approved upon motion by Commissioner Jones and second by Commissioner Gaskin.

The minutes of the closed meeting of February 13, 2017 were approved as submitted upon motion by Commissioner Jones and second by Commissioner Gaskin.

During an opportunity for public comment none was offered.

Fire Chief Lynn reported on the recent shooting incident and the quick response by the Fire and Police Departments which led to a positive outcome for the victim.

Fire Chief Lynn presented an update on the construction of Fire House No. 1 reporting that interior painting is progressing, rough-in mechanical is complete and the bay floor should be poured soon with careful supervision in order to maintain the appropriate slope for proper drainage.

Fire Chief Lynn circulated copies of a key sheet and the policies of Chapter 1 of the Administration SOG/SOP manual. He proceeded to explain that the key sheet cross references the existing policy and identifies the corresponding modified policy. The SOG/SOP manual is being updated as best practice and for consistency into the future. The modified policies have been reviewed by either the City Attorney or the Labor Attorney and the shop steward was involved from a union standpoint. Chief Lynn expressed his desire for review of five sections by year end. The consensus of the Commissioners was to

meet monthly in order to expedite the review and approval of the policies. Chief Lynn invited the Commissioners to contact him with any questions on the policies prior to the next meeting.

The 2016 Fire Department annual reports were distributed to the Commissioners and will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Police Chief Wooten provided a detailed account of the response to the recent shooting incident.

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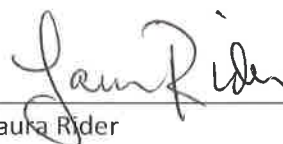
Police Chief Wooten reviewed the policies and procedures for the proposed Body Worn Camera (BWC) Pilot Program with the Commissioners. The Pilot Program includes the testing and evaluation of equipment from various vendors over an estimated nine to twelve month period. Discussion ensued regarding proposed policies and procedures for the use of BWC's, lack of recommendations by the Prosecuting Attorney on the use of BWC's, methods for storage of recordings and associated costs, the impact on police officers and whether there was a need for legal review at this time.

Upon conclusion of extensive discussion, the BWC Pilot Program was tabled with no pursuit of legal review at this time upon motion by Commissioner Stupp and second by Commissioner Schaperkotter.

The meeting adjourned at 6:09 PM upon motion by Commissioner Stupp and second by Commissioner Jones.



William Francis, Jr.  
Chairman



Laura Rider  
City clerk