

Minutes of the St. Francis Police and Fire Commission Meeting Held December 6, 2023

The Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Boknevitz at 4:02 p.m.

Present: Commissioners: Paradinovich, Kiepczynski, Boknevitz, Bilot and Jaskulski

Also Present: Chief Hunter, Lt. Tony Kloc

Excused: Chief Nick Poplar

Minute's approval of the Police and Fire Commission meeting held on September 6, 2023

- Motion made by Commissioner Paradinovich and seconded by Commissioner Bilot to approve the minutes. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: None

Police Dept. Update

December 5, 2023

November 1 – December 4, 2023

Theft Investigations:

- Theft – All Other
 - 3235 E Howard Ave, Package Theft (Shredder, Fanny Pack) \$41.00 value
 - 3849 S Packard Ave, Package Theft (Boots) \$300 value
- Motor Vehicle Theft
 - 3201 S Lake Dr, 1999 Honda Civic, Still stolen.

Other Investigations:

Battery – 3

Fraud - 1

Narcotic Violation – 1

OWI – 3

Disorderly Conduct – 12

Accidents – 11

Homicide:

- On June 13, 2023, we arrested a ***** who was operating a motor vehicle when he swerved and struck the victim, ***** who was running in the curb lane of Kinnickinnic Ave., in front of PNC Bank. The victim later died of his injuries. The entire incident was caught on surveillance video from the bank. Officers conducted standard field sobriety tests on ***** who failed. He consented to a blood draw as alcohol was not detected by the officers, however it was apparent that he was under the influence of something. A full accident reconstruction was completed. The DA's office held the case open pending toxicology from the Wisconsin Crime Lab.

The toxicology came back in late November, indicating that ***** was under the influence of Methamphetamine, Amphetamine and GHB. On 11-28-2023, the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office charged ***** with Homicide by Intoxicated Use of a Vehicle.

Other Matters:

- St. Francis Police Department finished #3 in the Nation this year for National Night Out.
- On Sunday, December 3rd, SFPD participated in Shop with a Cop – a Nationally Recognized Community Resource event in which 8 officers from SFPD chose 6 children from our community to shop with for themselves and their families. Each child received \$200.00. The event was held at Meijer's in Oak Creek.
- No formal citizen complaints.
- No Grievances.
- We are still short one officer, however, are interviewing a lateral from Waupun Police Department on December 19th. If he passes, I will then interview the individual and we will begin the background, psychological and physical with the consent of the commission. (*Discussion on process).
- *Motion by Kiepczynski and seconded by Paradinovich to allow Chief Hunter to proceed thru the hiring process the department has used for past interviews and process the candidate for potential hiring consideration. The chief will report the initial results back for further action/approval by the Police and Fire Commission.*
- K9 Bane to be Nationally Awarded with the Distinguished Service Medal – one of 6 police K9's in the Nation. The award will be informally given on December 13th, 2023 at 1:00pm in the Council Chambers – All are welcome. He will then be Nationally Recognized on March 6th, 2024 in Washington DC.

Total Calls for Service to Date:

CAD calls 01/01/22-12/04/22: 8,586

CAD calls 01/01/23-12/04/23: 8,945

Total Traffic Stops to Date:

Traffic Stops for 01/01/22-12/04/22: 1596

Traffic Stops for 01/01/23-12/04/23: 1687

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin M. Hunter

Chief of Police

6. FIRE DEPARTMENT:

DECEMBER 6TH, 2023 UPDATE

Incident Totals Since Last PFC Meeting:

- **346 Calls for Service**
- **290 EMS**

130 ALS Responses by MED-12
200 ALS Level Patient Assessments
109 EKG's Performed (Cardiac Monitoring)

- **58 Heavy Apparatus Responses**

5 Building Fires
6 Motor Vehicle Crashes

<u>Call Volume to Date in 2022</u>	<u>Calls Volume to Date in 2023</u>	
1816	1737	-4 % Change

- No labor / management disputes.
- Fire Captain Michael Corso retires tomorrow after serving on SFFD for over 31 years. His walk-out will occur at approximately 0830 hours on December 7th.
- Lieutenant Anthony Kloc will be sworn in as Fire Captain on Friday, December 8th at 0700 hours.
- HEO Derrick Zolinski will be sworn in as Fire Lieutenant on Friday, December 8th at 0700 hours.
- FFOP Spencer Johnsrud successfully completed his Registered Nurse to Paramedic course at Crowder College in Joplin, Missouri. He has also successfully completed his National Registry psychomotor exam and is awaiting a successful written exam score which will enable him to be licensed as a State of Wisconsin Paramedic.
- Joint hiring process: 67 Firefighter applicants were interviewed by the four departments on December 4th and 5th. It was the largest quantity of readily qualified candidates in a number of years. Approximately 8-12 candidates will be invited to participate in the City of St. Francis local interview process in January. The chief will contact the Police and Fire to invite members to assist in that interview process as has been done in the recent past.
- *Conditional offers of employment are scheduled for the first week of February. The JFTA starts in April.
- *Motion made by Boknevit, and seconded by Paradinovich to give permission to the Fire Chief to make conditional offers of employment to prospective candidates to expedite the hiring process due to the competition for the best candidates within consortium. Note that the next scheduled meeting is for* Weds February 7, 2024. Motion passed.*

Old Business: None

Call to Adjourn: Boknevitz motioned, Paradinovich seconded, motion carried at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary Tom Kiepczynski

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