

# SAUK PRAIRIE POLICE COMMISSION MINUTES

December 8, 2021

Sauk City & Prairie du Sac

1. **Call to order:** This meeting was called to order on December 8, 2021 at 6:00pm by President Dietmann.
2. **Roll Call:** Present: Dietmann, Erickson, Schmidt, Fritsch, Bender, Bare
3. **Additions/Changes to Agenda:** Motion by Erickson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fritsch to approve the agenda. 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.
4. **Approve/Deny Minutes from Previous Meeting:** Motion by Schmidt, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bender to approve November 10, 2021 regular meeting minutes. 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.
5. **Approve/Deny Payment of Bills:** Motion by Fritsch, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bender to approve the payment of bills. 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.
6. **Citizen Comment:** None.
7. **Reports**
  - a. **Officer Report:** None.
  - b. **Management:**
    - i. **Activity Reports for October:** Activity reports were reviewed and questions answered by Lieutenant Sherman. Chief Strunz announced that this will be his last meeting and he will be using up vacation. Police Commission extended their appreciation for all that he has done over the years.
  - c. **Finance Reports:** Lieutenant Sherman reviewed and explained the finance reports through the end of November.
8. **Old Business:**
  - a. **Update Re: New Police Station:** Lieutenant Sherman discussed the progress of the new building. Building is ahead of schedule by approximately 2 months. Painting will begin at the end of the month. Flooring will be started next month. Monday at 2pm the remaining members of the Commission will be walking through the new station.
9. **New Business:**
  - a. **Update from the School Resource Officer.** School Resource Officer Leister handed out a case listing to the Commission for the school year so far. Officer Leister and Sgt. Rider, who was SRO for the first 28 days of the school year, answered questions

and explained the trends that they have seen. There was a reset at the Middle School during the Thanksgiving break with an assembly when they returned regarding discipline and what is expected. The Middle School has hired someone to help with students that act out and they have alternate learning for some of the more troubled students. Officer Leister indicated that things seem to be improving.

- b. Discussion Possible Action Re: Chief Recruitment.** The process of recruiting a Chief was discussed. Chief Strunz explained the recruitment schedule that he had prepared and the advertisement that was give to the Commission. After review and discussion, it was decided to go into closed session on January 12, 2022 to discuss interview questions, presentations, values and other items prior to advertising for the Chief position.
- c. Discussion Possible Action Re: Budget Adoption.** The budget hearings for the villages did not change any of the Police Commission’s budget numbers. Motion by Bender, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schmidt to approve the 2022 Budget. 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- d. Discussion Possible Action Re: MOU with Village of Prairie du Sac Re: Car Charging Station.** There will be a car charging station in the new police station parking lot available for the public. The Village of Prairie du Sac will collect the money that is earned from the charging station and in turn will maintain the driveway and sidewalks in the winter. Motion by Erickson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bare to approve the MOU with the Village of Prairie du Sac. 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- e. Discussion Possible Action Re: Upgrade Garage Floor to Epoxy.** Lieutenant Sherman and Chief Strunz explained the benefits of having an epoxy floor in the garage. The cost for the epoxy flooring will be \$65,000. This will prevent slipping and falling. It was decided that it would be more cost effective to do it now instead of later. Motion by Schmidt, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fritsch to upgrade the garage floor to epoxy. 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

**10. Communications:**

- a. Review Thank You Letters:** Theis/Lerch

**11. Committee Reports:** None

**12. Future Agenda Items:**

- a.** New Police Station
- b.** Chief Recruitment – Closed Session

**13. Adjourn:** Motion by Erickson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fritsch to adjourn meeting at 7:33pm. 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Evert