

SAUK PRAIRIE POLICE COMMISSION MINUTES

October 9, 2024

Sauk City & Prairie du Sac

1. **Call to order:** This meeting was called to order on October 9, 2024, at 6:00pm by Paul Dietemann.
2. **Roll Call:** Present: Dietmann, Bender, Erickson, Schmidt, Fritsch, Bare
3. **Additions/Changes to Agenda:** Motion by Bender, 2nd by Erickson to approve the agenda. 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.
4. **Approve/Deny Minutes from Previous Meeting:** Motion by Schmidt, 2nd by Bare to approve September 11, 2024, regular meeting minutes. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. Dietmann and Erickson abstained. Motion carried.
5. **Approve/Deny Payment of Bills:** Motion by Bender, 2nd by Bare 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 September:** Activity reports were reviewed, and questions answered by Chief Sherman. Chief Sherman informed the Commission about a complaint of a juvenile wearing a mask and brandishing a firearm. SRO Wilhelm obtained the name of the child and Chief Sherman and Travis Hilliard went to the home of the child. They contacted the juvenile at his residence and placed him into custody, no weapons were drawn. There was a confrontation between the juvenile and some high school students. He then brandished the weapon. While investigating the incident, we found that there was a second confrontation. The juvenile was taken to a secure juvenile facility and has since been released. SRO Wilhelm has requested to go back to patrol and has transitioned back. Nicholas Hayden accepted the SRO position and things seem to be going well over the last couple of weeks. We have one officer that is on light duty to a back injury that did not occur on duty. He is supposed to be released to regular duty as of October 18th. Chief Sherman gave an update on the pedestrian crossing issues. The Village of Sauk City had a meeting with their engineer and the group of concerned citizens. The group would like to see a pedestrian bridge, but it may not be financially feasible. They would like to conduct traffic studies. The Village

of Sauk City is painting lines on the roadway at the crossing for higher visibility. Chief Sherman is still lobbying for better beacons/lighting. Chief Sherman will be presenting awards to deserving officers at next month's meeting.

- c. **Finance Reports:** Chief Sherman reviewed and explained the finance reports through the end of September. We should be around 75% and are very close. All questions were answered.

8. Old Business: None.

9. New Business:

- a. **Discussion/Possible Action: 2023 Audit:** Johnson Block has sent an email of the draft audit. The final audit is not available, and the packets have not been received. We will table this until the next meeting.

10. General Discussion: Tanya Bare informed the Commission that she is moving to Baraboo and will have to remove herself from the Commission. She was thanked for her service and will be missed.

11. Communications

- a. **Review Thank You Letters:**
 - i. **Sauk Prairie Community Club.**

12. Committee Reports: None.

13. Future Agenda Items:

- a. 2023 Audit
- b. Awards
- c. 2025 Budget

14. Adjourn: Motion by Bare, 2nd by Fritsch to adjourn meeting at 6:34pm. 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Evert