

CITY OF MERRILL

Police and Fire Commission

Wednesday, August 17, 2022-6:00pm

City Hall Council Chambers-1004 East First Street, Merrill, WI

Members Present: Lisa Gervais, Eric Malm, Jeremy Thompson and Norm Hanson

Members Absent: Nicole Johnson

Other Present: Fire Chief Klug

I. **Call to Order**

Chairman Hanson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

II. **Approval of Prior Minutes**

Minutes from the June 2, 2022 up for approval. Motion made to accept the minutes. (Thompson/Malm)

Discussion: Chairman Hanson noted misspelling of his name in 2 areas of the minutes. Correct spelling should be: Hanson.

Motion made to approve minutes as amended. (Thompson/Malm). *Carried.*

III. **Open Session**

Fire Chief Klug gave an update on the number of candidates for promotion to Battalion Chief. There is an anticipation of two (2) possible upcoming retirements in the department. Chief Klug requested to have approval to extend the promotional through November 15, 2022. The current list is set to expire on October 15, 2022. This allows time to see if there will be any vacancies. Motion made to extend the promotion list be extended through November 15, 2022. (Thompson/Hanson). *Carried.*

IV. **Public Comment**

No public comments.

V. **Closed Session(s):** Convened at 6:12pm

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes Section 19.85(1)(c), moved (Thompson/Gervais) that the Commission go into closed session "to conduct Fire Fighter/Paramedic candidate interviews. *Carried.*

VI. **Reconvene in Open Session:** Reconvened at 7:43pm.

The committee may reconvene in open session to recommend applicant approvals. Motion to move to open session (Malm/Thompson). *Carried.*

Motion made to approve the four (4) applicants in the hiring process brought forth by Chief Klug for consideration, pending their qualifications and testing requirements met (Gervais/Malm): Carried by vote of 4/4, motion carried.

VII. **Adjournment**

Move to adjourn at 7:48pm. (Thompson/Gervais). *Carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Gervais