

CITY OF MERRILL
POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

Thursday, December 3, 2020 • 5:00 p.m.
Council Chambers – City Hall • 1004 E. First St., Merrill, WI

Members Present: Nicole Johnson (Secretary), Don Heyel, and Norm Hanson
Members Virtual: Paul Russell (Chairman) and Lisa Gervais
Members Absent: n/a
Others Present: Police Chief Bennett and City Administrator Dave Johnson
Others Virtual: Fire Chief Klug

I. Call to Order:

Chairman Russell called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. Public Comment Period:

Chief Klug gave an update on the posted position for part-time Fire Inspector for the Merrill Fire Dept. It is currently open, and they have received 3 applicants as of now. Main function will be to alleviate the Dept from the frequent inspections needed. Should have a decision soon and applicant is to start sometime in January as of now. It is a 24 hr./week position. No further action on the hire will be needed from the commission.

No public comments.

III. Closed Session(s): Convened at 5:07 p.m.

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes Section 19.85(1)(c), moved (Russell/Johnson) that the Commission go into closed session “to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the Commission has jurisdiction of exercises responsibility. *Carried.*

IV. Reconvene in Open Session: Reconvened at 7:05 p.m.

The committee may reconvene in open session to approve 3/3 candidates for the option to hire for the MPD. Motion to move to open session (Johnson/Heyel). *Carried.*

Moved to allow Chief Bennett to continue with all three applicants (Johnson/Gervais). *Carried 5/5 vote.*

V. Adjournment:

Moved to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. (Hanson/Heyel). *Carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Johnson
Secretary
Merrill Police and Fire Commission