



## Police and Fire Commission

City of Stevens Point  
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Gary Wescott  
President  
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August 2, 2016  
4:00 p.m.

- 1. Roll Call:** Commissioners Carlson, Kirschling, Moore, Ostrowski and Wescott

**Also Present:** Police Chief Skibba, Assistant Chief Gemza, Alderperson Kneebone, Alderperson Morrow, Comptroller Ladick, Lee Ann Spoon – Records Bureau Supervisor

- 2. People to be heard and announcements**

None.

- 3. Discussion and possible action of 2017 capital budget requests**

Police Department capital budget requests for 2017 are as follows:

- SWAT equipment, \$5,000.00
- Traffic Enforcement equipment, \$10,000.00
- Portable breath test equipment, \$6,000.00
- Computer equipment, \$10,000.00
- Office equipment, \$4,500.00
- Replace furniture, \$2,000.00

Fire Department capital budget requests for 2017 are as follows:

- Turn out gear, \$20,000.00
- Copier, \$4,200.00
- General Fire Equipment, \$13,000.00 (mounting equipment, generators, rescue saws, bunker gear lockers)
- Station #1, \$61,000.00 (replace 2 garage doors, keyless fob system, remodel kitchen/removal of asbestos on second floor, yard and maintenance equipment)
- Hose tester, \$5,000.00

Commissioner Wescott moved, seconded by Commissioner Kirschling, to move approval of the Police Department and Fire Department capital improvement budgets, and forwarding them to the Comptroller's office for a favorable recommendation of being adopted.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

#### 4. **Police Chief's Report**

Chief Skibba reported:

July:

- Completed written portion of testing for eligibility list of new hired
- July 1 – 3, Riverfront Rendezvous, assisted by Auxiliary and sworn personnel
- July 3, Fourth of July parade, assisted by Auxiliary
- July 15 – 16, Discover Downtown, assisted by Auxiliary
- July 20 – 21, non-sworn CIP training
- July 28, North Central Chiefs of Police Association meeting, hosted by Stevens Point PD
- July 28, initial capital requests submitted
- July 29, Ameriprise Financial Law Enforcement Appreciation cookout
- July 30, Auxiliary fundraiser brat fry at Trig's
- July 30, Fiternal Cross fit – Law Enforcement appreciation
- New multipurpose van arrived from Ford. Being retro fitted by Streets Department

August:

- Complete initial interview portion of testing process for new hire eligibility list
- August 3 and August 24, Employment Law Training
- August 6, Auxiliary and contractual with related events
- August 8 – 10, Chiefs conference in Green Bay
- August 13, Project Fresh Start (Ben Franklin)
- August 14, city garage sale, central garage, Auxiliary assisting
- August 19, YMCA Kids Duathlon (Lot Q area by UWSP)
- August 19, movie in the park public safety night
- August 20, YMCA Duathlon (Lot Q area and north of town)
- August 25, Moose Club back to school night
- August 27, Guns and Hoses
- August 29, Crime Stoppers Concert

Commissioner Wescott moved, seconded by Commissioner Kirschling to approve the Police Chief's report for July 2016.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

#### 5. **Fire Chief's report/EMS report**

Chief Finn reported:

- Issued blasting permit for Sixth Avenue road construction project.
- Readied buoys for placement in river for fireworks perimeter.
- Attended 4<sup>th</sup> of July down Main Street along with Explorer Scouts distributing freezer pops.
- Emergency vehicle display at Piffner Park during Riverfront Rendezvous.
- On hand at fireworks display both sides of river.
- New probationary firefighters Warner and Przybylski started on July 5<sup>th</sup> and Monaghan on July 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Chaplain Dave Ficken gave a presentation on all 3 crews.
- Elevator rescue of one UWSP student at the DUC.
- Explorer Scouts meeting at station 2 on water flow and advancing hose lines.
- Emergency landing of airplane at Stevens Point Airport with running gear stuck in up position. Stand-by while large wreckers strapped plane and lifted to flat bed trailer off runway and unloaded by airport hangers.
- Metro fire calls (3). Total fire calls: 69.

- Training: replay pumping, master stream ops, standpipe drill and confined space scenarios. Total training hours: 38.5. Public education: Verso Mill, hose drills with 30 employees. Fire safety education to Copper Leaf Management, 22 employees. Witnessed fire evacuation drills for Service Cold Storage and Associated Bank.

- Fire inspections: Tent inspections for fireworks displays and Riverfront. Total inspections: 89.

**EMS Activities Report:**

- Riverfront Rendezvous: The three day celebration went off without any major EMS incidents at the park.
- New hires: Stevens Point Fire Department hired three new personnel in the month of July: Quinn Warner, Ethan Przybylski, and Ryan Monaghan.
- Training: Chief Finn, Assistant Chiefs Davis and Gemza, Lieutenant Heibler and FF/Medic Schultz participated in Crisis Intervention Training for Partners (CIP).
- Joint Police and Fire Training: The Stevens Point Police Department brought MRAP over and we trained on loading patients into MRAP using the TALON cot. This would be used should we need a casualty collection point in an active shooter situation.
- Rapid Response Vehicle: There was a potential of 48 runs in July.
 

1. Canceled en Route:	5 times
2. Lieutenant not available:	2 times
3. Staffing not allowed:	1 time
4. RRU not available:	0 times
5. RRU responded:	40 times
- Simultaneous Ambulance Requests:  
 Total number of ambulance requests in June: 378  

2 ambulances out:	78	(20.6%)
3 ambulances out:	19	(5.0%)
4 ambulances out:	5	(1.3%)
5 ambulances out:	0	

Commissioner Moore moved, seconded by Commissioner Carlson, to approve the Fire Chief's report for July 2016.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

**6. Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Carlson moved, seconded by Commissioner Ostrowski, to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2016 meeting.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

**7. Confirmation of Bills**

Commissioner Wescott moved, seconded by Commissioner Ostrowski, to approve the confirmation of the July 2016 bills.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

- 8. Adjourn into closed session (approximately 4:30 p.m.) pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute Section 19.85 (1) (e) [deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session] for discussion on the following:**
- (a) Update on Police Department bargaining.**

Commissioner Wescott moved, seconded by Commissioner Kirschling to adjourn into closed session.

Ayes, Carlson, Kirschling, Moore, Ostrowski, Wescott  
Nays, none. Motion carried.

**9. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.