



City of Rock Falls Police Fire Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 9/3/2014

Time Meeting Started: 4:00

Time Meeting Ended: 4:25

Members		Also Attended	
Mayor Wescott	P	Clerk Arduini	P
Alderman Logan	P	Chief Kuelper	P
Alderman Folsom	P	Deputy Chief Milby	P
Alderman Snow	P		
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Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to Order @ 4:00 p.m. – Chairperson Mayor Wescott	Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm	Meeting begins 4:00pm
2. Fire: •New Boat – Rural Fire District	Deputy Chief Milby explained that the Rural Fire Protection District from time to time will have funds available for equipment, and they had asked the Fire Department for input. The department will be receiving a new 19ft x 8ft Rescue boat. It is custom built, and will have a 60 horsepower motor on it. The boat has been designed to hold their equipment and will have adequate lights and a radio. The custom design will be able to pass through the canal culverts.	No action
•Update on Building Remodel Project	Deputy Chief Milby reported that there has been no workers on site for two weeks. Robbin is in contact with the Contractor, and they will need to get a new flooring subcontractor if this one cannot finish the job.	No action
•New Hire List	Mr. Milby has been getting phone calls from applicants who have taken the written test, and wondered when the oral interview would be. In the past everyone pass or fail would receive notification after testing.	No action
•Involvement – Nelson Energy	Nelson Invenergy will be operational next April. Mr. Milby and Fire Chief Cook have toured the facility, and accessed the climbing areas. Our crews will be going on site and doing drills at various levels in the facility. Now there is a lot of construction going on, and once operational it will employ 35 people. The city will benefit by having the facility running by added funding for schools, and fire protection .Mr. Milby also informed the committee that truck 41 has broken leaf spring, and they are waiting for Randy’s truck repair to get the parts.	No action
3. Police: •Retirement Sgt.	Police Chief Mike Kuelper explained some lack of staffing issues that will be coming up. October 6 th is Sgt. Worchester last working day, and September 12 th is Commander Nelson’s last working day. With these retirements, and a new Student Resource Officer Grant which will help the city fund an officer, the city will need to hire 3 new officers and cover on the street for one SRO. Testing for Police will be September 20 th at the Rock Falls Middle school. They are advertising, but currently only have 9 applicants. Anyone hired will be at academy Jan. 5 th until April.	No action
•Promotion’s	Chief Kuelper is planning to retire on February 27 th 2015. He has provided the mayor and City administrator with possible promotion scenarios.	Mike will meet with Mayor Wescott on Friday to discuss options.
•Recruit Testing	Sterling and Dixon are both going to be doing testing soon as they are under staffed currently. Mr. Kuelper reported that the new squads are running well, but the detective cars, and CSO vehicle are in bad shape.	No action
4. Adjournment	With nothing else for the good of the committee the meeting was adjourned at 4:25pm	Meeting end at 4:25pm