Public Safety Commission May 5th, 2022, 10 a.m.

Commission Present

Chair Greg Bunch

Mr. Rich Sullivan

Mr. Brian Kern

Mr. Chuck Garasic

Public Comment

(1) No Public Comment

Old Business

- (1) Fire: Introduce Chief Weich
 - (a) Fire Chief Allen Weich introduced himself to the commission.
- (2) Police: Recommend Sgt. Brandon Jones for the promotion of lieutenant
 - (a) A motion was made by Chairman Bunch and seconded by Mr. Kern to approve the promotion of Brandon Jones to the rank of lieutenant, effective May 16th, 2022.
 - (i) Chairman Bunch: Aye

Mr. Sullivan: Aye

Mr. Kern: Aye

Mr. Garasic: Aye

- (3) Police: Update on Patrol Car Purchase
 - (a) Chief Taylor updated the commission on the purchase of the new patrol car.
- (4) Update on the PD Office Renovation
 - (a) Chief Taylor updated the commission on the office renovation.
- (5) Discussion of the Rifle Buy-Back Program
 - (a) A motion was made by Mr. Kern and seconded by Mr. Sullivan to allow the police department to ask the township for a budget amendment of \$3,700 for two (2) officers to enter into the rifle buy-back program—money to be paid back to the township by the two (2) officers.

(i) Chairman Bunch: Aye

Mr. Sullivan: Aye

Mr. Kern: Aye

Mr. Garasic: Aye

New Business

- (1) Fire: Discussion on Full Time Spot Opening and Plan
 - (a) Chief Weich discussed the full-time position(s) within his department and went over some of the responsibilities the new full time fire fighter(s) will have. Chief Weich advised the commission there are two (2) applicants who have applied for the firefighter position.
 - (i) Mr. Kern was appointed by Chairman Bunch to serve on the interview panel for the new firefighter.
 - (b) MFR was discussed where Chief Weich went over the facts concerning the cost of going with Medic 1 Ambulance, which was around \$500,000. There was discussion on how important our MFR is to our constituents.
 - (c) Chief Weich advised the FAA licensing for the drone expired last year and he is working on getting the drone relicensed. In the interim, the drone will be taken out of service.
 - (d) Chief Weich briefly discussed organizational changes, such as a training committee made up of fire fighters Dave Abele, Brad Miller, and Carson Taylor.
 - (e) Chief Weich went over equipment that will need to be replaced soon and in his five (5)-year plan discussed an engine that is getting old and at some point it will need to be replaced.
- (f) Chief Weich updated the commission on the purchase of their MFR Tahoe.
 - (g) Chief Weich brought up he and his team have discussed a take home fire vehicle to respond to scenes. This vehicle would be the fire/command vehicle the township already has. Chief Weich argued quicker response times and other fire departments having take home vehicles.
- (4) Police: Brief Discussion on PD Statistics
 - (a) Chief Taylor asked the commission if they had any questions concerning the 2021 police department statistics

Open Discussion

None

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Chairman Bunch, second by Chuck Garasic. All ayes.