VILLAGE OF BONDUEL/TOWN OF HARTLAND
FIRE COMMISSION MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024

Chairperson Grant Staszak called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and read the statement regarding the meeting notice.

PRESENT: Russ Gehm, Tim Leitermann, Grant Staszak, and Kevin Watermolen, Chief Kevin Lynch, Dave Bohm, Carter Siolka and Ashley Lehocky (via teleconference).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Watermolen, and second by Gehm, to approve the agenda and to deviate from the order as necessary. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Leitermann, and second by Bohm to approve the Fire Commission minutes from April 21,2024 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

ACKNOWLDEGEMENT OF CITIZENS/OPEN FORUM: Carter Siolka and Village Attorney Ashley Lehocky via telephone.

REPORTS

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Report on file. Chief Lynch reported SCBA Cylinder testing was complete. The department ordered a set of emergency elevator keys and that fire inspections were started.

OUTSTANDING FIRE BILLS: Report on file of outstanding fire bills. Commission reviewed report.

BUDGET REPORT: Report on file.

NEW BUSINES

G1. Closed Session. Move to closed session to discuss personnel matters.

Motion by Gehm, second by Leitermann to move to closed session to discuss personnel matters. [Pursuant to Wis. State Statutes, Chapter 19, General Duties of Public Officials, subchapter V, 19.85 exemptions (1)(f) [Considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific person except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations.] Roll call was taken, motion carried unanimously. Commission moved into closed session at 5:33 pm to discuss personal matters.

Motion by Bohm, second by Watermolen to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously. Commission returned to open session at 5:52 pm.

G2. Discussion and possible action on the sale and proceeds from the Department UTV.

The Fire Department has voted to purchase a new UTV and Trailer using money from the Fireman's Fundraising fund account. The Trailer has been purchased from ET&P Repairs, formerly Smitty's, and the UTV from Doc's Full Bore. The current UTV does not fit their needs and would be put for sale with the funds to be used for the new UTV. Motion by Bohm, second by Watermolen to approve the sale of the current UTV with the funds going back to the department to use for the purchase of the new UTV. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

H1. Discussion and possible action on contested fire department billing invoice.
By consensus, the commission postponed this agenda item to the next meeting.

H2. Discussion on capital improvements for department
By consensus, the commission postponed this agenda item to the next meeting.

H3. Closed Session. Move to closed session to discuss fit test results, department guidelines, fire fighter performance and membership status.
Motion by Leitermann, second by Bohm to move to closed session to discuss department fit testing results and department guidelines, fire fighter performance and membership status. [Pursuant to Wis. State Statutes, Chapter 19, General Duties of Public Officials, subchapter V, 19.85 exemptions (1)(c) [Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.] Roll call was taken, motion carried unanimously. Commission moved into closed session at 5:52 pm to discuss fire department fit testing results and department guidelines.

Motion by Bohm, second by Gehm to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously. Commission returned to open session at 6:13 pm.

COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS OR NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED AT A FUTURE MEETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Fire Commission Meeting: Thursday, June 6, 2024

Motion by Gehm, second by Leitermann, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.
Meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin Watermolen