



TOWN OF PESHTIGO
Fire Commission Minutes
Wednesday, October 2, 2024
12:00 Noon

Members present: Dave Buechler, Dale Edlbeck, Lou Ann Seils and Karen Sylvester

Members excused: Jim Meyer

Others Present: Fire Chief Mike Folgert, Assistant Fire Chief Rich Seils

Chair Karen Sylvester called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

1. *Agenda:* Motion (Edlbeck/Seils) to approve agenda. Motion carried. No negative vote.
2. *Minutes:* Motion (Buechler/Edlbeck) to approve minutes of May 16, 2024. Motion carried. No negative vote.
3. *Review of Town Ordinance Sec. 2-455 through 2-463:* Motion (Edlbeck/Seils) to recommend the following to the Ordinance Review Committee:

Sec. 2-455. Composition.

- ... Appointments shall be made in writing to the ~~secretary~~ **chairperson** of the fire commission annually ~~between the last Monday of April and the first Monday of May.~~
- No appointment shall be made which will result in more than three members of the fire commission belonging to the same political party. ***Note: The commission does not identify political party status upon appointment, but has no opinion on the removal/status quo of verbiage.***
- ***Addition of verbiage requiring an oath to be administered upon appointment – Support***

Sec. 2-457. Meetings.

The fire commission shall meet at least annually during the month of May, ~~following the town-board meeting of that same month,~~ to appoint a chairperson and ~~secretary~~ **vice chairperson.**

Motion carried. No negative vote.

4. *Update on status of new fire engine.* Assistant Fire Chief Rich Seils reviewed the status of new engine construction and costs and the department recommended change orders to be placed prior to October 31, 2024. Motion (Seils/Buechler) to approve the change requests as presented. Motion carried. No negative vote.



5. *Proposed 2025 Budget:* Chief Folgert reviewed the proposed 2025 budget in detail with new format. Operational Request - \$102,075 and Capital Request - \$148,229. Motion (Seils/Buechler) to approve presented 2025 proposed budget to the Town Board. Motion carried. No negative vote.
6. *Fire Chief Report:*
 - Open House – October 5, 2024, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
 - Raffle Tickets – drawing November 11, 2024
 - Annual banquet currently being planned
 - Fire Prevention Week – October 6th through October 12th
 - Smoke Alarm Grant – installed approximately 50 alarms in residences
 - Fire Fighter Photo Board – currently updating, 23 members
7. *Adjournment:* Motion (Edlbeck/Buechler) to adjourn at 1:17 p.m. Motion carried. No negative vote.

Kathy Brandt
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

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