

**CITY OF EDGERTON**  
**POLICE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, March 10, 2021**

President Paul Davis called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Commission Members in attendance were Paul Davis, Mark Coombs, Joshua Lee and Lisa Venske. Terry Dickinson was absent. Also attending was Police Chief Kowalski and Officer Joe Fellmuth. This meeting was held in person at City Hall and available virtually as well.

Davis confirmed the agenda was posted properly for this meeting at City Hall, the Library and the Post Office on Friday, March 3, 2021.

**MINUTES:**

Coombs/Lee motion to approve the December 9, 2020 Police Commission Meeting Minutes passed, all voted in favor.

**UPDATE ON OFFICER WHITNEY AND LIEUTENANT KANABLE:**

Chief Kowalski provided a detailed update on both officers' progress and felt both are doing a great job. Officer Whitney will finish his probationary period in July. Lt. Kanable continues to be an asset to the department. Officer Joe Fellmuth was in attendance and was introduced by Chief Kowalski. Officer Fellmuth has taken a leadership role with Lexipol and updating training, policies, and procedures. He is please to be a EPD officer and shared some of the differences in the last year due to Covid. He looks forward to returning to in person training.

**DISCUSS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM:**

Officer Cowden, who had experience with an internship program approached the Chief about having one between the City and Blackhawk Tech. With Cowden in charge, Edgerton currently has their first intern for the next three months.

**DISCUSS ELIGIBLTY LIST FOR NEW OFFICER:**

The existing eligibility list is approaching 12 months old, and Chief would like to establish a fresh list. Chief will post a job opening and the PD will review eligibility and conduct first contact with applicants at which time the Commission will conduct the final interviews. A lengthy discussion was held regarding the PD diversity and the pool of applicants statewide.

Coombs/Lee motion to initiate the process of establishing a new ranked eligibility list for the potential position of patrol officer as soon as possible. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**POLICE CHIEF REPORT:**

Chief Kowalski gave a report on the City of Edgerton Police Department Officers and staff. He reported on how the Lexipol policy review program is progressing, the planning of National Night Out in August, his attendance at the Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association conference and the 2020 Annual EPD Report. A copy of this report was provided to Commission members and to Council members.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A discussion was help on the possible changes to Commission members. President Davis will discuss with the Mayor.

**NEXT MEETING OF THE POLICE COMMISSION:**

The next meeting will be scheduled for officer applicant interviews asap.

Venske/Lee motion to adjourn passed, all voted in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa Venske, Police Commission Secretary