

Temple-Greenville Police Joint Board

Minutes of the Public Meeting December 3, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Bill Ezell. Also attending the meeting were Maggie Bickford and Doug Reardon of Greenville, Gail Cromwell of Temple, and Chief McTague.

MINUTES:

A motion by G. Cromwell, seconded by M. Bickford to accept the minutes of the November 5, 2018 meeting was passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chief McTague inquired if the board has set the raises for 2019. Gail Cromwell stated that her understanding was 5%. D. Reardon stated that he understood where the Chief was coming from regarding department wages, but that Greenville can't afford to do more than the 3% that will be added to Temple's 2%.

NEW BUSINESS:

H. W. Wells informed the PD that it should consider replacing the boiler, as it needs several repairs. D. Reardon confirmed that it is at the end of the life expectancy for a steam boiler. He estimated \$7,000 to \$8,000 for replacement. He suggested getting quotes for replacement next year, if the current boiler will hold out that long. (Service has been scheduled for December 4th.), but would recuse himself from voting on which company should do the replacement. Chief McTague asked how much it might cost to switch to a forced hot water system. D. Reardon estimated \$20,000. He also recommended against making any expensive repairs to the current boiler.

Chief McTague request approval for funds to send Mike Needham to a Taser Instructor Certification class.

A motion by D. Reardon, seconded by M. Bickford to send Sgt. Mike Needham to the Taser Instructor Certification class on February 13, 2019 was passed.

Following discussion of the department's computer needs, a motion by G. Cromwell, seconded by D. Reardon to purchase two computers using the safety equipment line was passed.

BUDGET:

2018 BUDGET:

It was noted that the department is on track to come in under budget for the 2018 budget year. The department will provide a projection for the remainder of the year.

D. Reardon suggested encumbering funds from the 2018 budget to replace the boiler if it is deemed necessary. Other members agreed that this was a good idea. Quotes will be obtained.

2019 BUDGET:

The insurance lines have been updated with premiums provided by Tara Sousa, Greenville Town Administrator. The only outstanding line is dispatch. The final figures for this service are typically delayed.

Chief McTague reported that he would be seeking a grant to replace a radar gun that has been in use for roughly twenty five years. The grant should cover half of the cost of this equipment.

A motion by G. Cromwell, seconded by D. Reardon to accept the preliminary budget of \$643, 769.74 was passed.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief McTague reported that things have quieted down as is typical during the colder months. He expects accident activity to increase.

The board discussed drug issues. M. Bickford relayed that she had spoken to a citizen who had notified the department about drug activity in Greenville. Chief McTague indicated that the department continues to work with various statewide agencies and task forces to combat these issues.

A motion by G. Cromwell, seconded by B. Ezell to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 was passed.

The next meeting will be held on January 7th, 2019 in Temple.

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