

MINUTES of COLUMBUS POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

June 25, 2019

Columbus Water and Light Conference Room
950 Maple Ave, Columbus, WI 53925

- 1) Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by PFC Chair Olson.
- 2) Roll Call: PFC Members present: L. Olson, R. Rule, Z. Kianovsky, L. O'Donnell. PFC Members absent: None. Others present: Attorneys Steve Zach and Catherine Weise
- 3) Notice of compliance with Open Meeting law—Notice of Meeting and Posted Agenda by Olson.
- 4) Motion by Kianovsky to approve agenda. Seconded by Rule. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5) Motion to approve minutes of meeting of 6/10/2019 by O'Donnell, seconded by Rule. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6) Citizen Comments: None.
- 7) New Business.

A. Motion by Rule to go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1) (b), (c), and (g) to consider the investigation of charges, to consider employment and perform evaluation data, and to confer with legal counsel who is rendering legal advice, all with respect to charges filed against an employee of which the Commission has jurisdiction. Seconded by O'Donnell.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Olson, Kianovsky, Rule, O'Donnell. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

The PFC then convened in closed session at 5:43 p.m.

Motion (made in closed session on advice of counsel,) by Kianovsky to direct legal counsel to communicate with complainants in writing to indicate that PFC has reviewed the Complaint of Charges submitted, and has identified certain procedural deficiencies in the Complaint of Charges, specifically: 1) charges are made against the Columbus Police Department as an entity, over which charges the PFC does not have jurisdiction; 2) the Charges fail to identify the rule or provision of law alleged to have been violated by the named officers as required by Section 11.03 of the Columbus PFC Rules and Regulations; 3) the Charges are against multiple individual officers in the same Complaint, contrary to Section 11.11 of the PFC Rules and Regulations, which requires a separate Complaint as to each officer involved in the alleged misconduct resulting from the same event; and advising the complainants that they may file new complaint(s)

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rectifying these defects by delivering the same to Attorney Zach by not later than July 15, 2019 or the PFC will dismiss the complaint. Motion was seconded by O'Donnell. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kianovsky to go into open session. Seconded by Rule. Motion carried unanimously.

PFC went into open session at 6:08 pm.

8) Motion to adjourn by Rule. Seconded by O'Donnell. Motion carried unanimously.

PFC meeting adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

Next regular meeting tentatively scheduled for August 12, 2019 at the Fire Station. Special Meetings may be called in the interim as needed.

Minutes submitted by Zev Kianovsky,
Secretary, Columbus Police and Fire Commission
City of Columbus, Wisconsin

Minutes are drafted for approval.

Minutes approved by PFC on ____8/14/2019_____