



# City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall  
400 La Crosse Street  
La Crosse, WI 54601

## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Police and Fire Commission

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Wednesday, March 16, 2022

10:00 AM

Virtual meeting via Lifesize

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*Draft until approved at April 20, 2022 meeting.*

In an effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19, the Police and Fire Commission meeting was conducted through video conferencing and available for public viewing at the following link: <https://stream.lifesizecloud.com/extension/7205012/0278898c-6543-4aee-9c6b-46ec400de0b9>.

Members of the public who wished to speak on an agenda item were asked to contact the Commission Secretary by emailing [leissoa@cityoflacrosse.org](mailto:leissoa@cityoflacrosse.org), calling (608)789-7595, or using the drop box outside of City Hall.

#### Call to Order

*Meeting called to order by Chairperson Happel at 10:01 a.m.*

#### Roll Call

*Guests: David Buroker, Chief Gilliam, Chief Kudron, Asst. Chief Murphy*

#### Approval of Minutes

*Minutes of February 16, 2022 and March 1, 2022 meeting.*

**Motion by Commissioner Jentz to approve the minutes of the February 16 and March 1, 2022 meetings. Motion seconded by Commissioner Kopp. Commissioner Nasif abstained from voting on March 1 meeting minutes as she was not at the meeting. Unanimous approval.**

#### Agenda Items:

I. Fire Personnel Report - February, 2022

*Presented by: Chief Gilliam*

**DISCUSSION:**

*-Chief reviewed the monthly report and statistics.*

**Motion by Commissioner Kopp to accept and file the February, 2022 Fire Personnel Report. Motion seconded by Commissioner Yutuc. Unanimous approval.**

II. Police Personnel Report - February, 2022

*Presented by: Chief Kudron*

*DISCUSSION:*

*-The Chief reviewed the report and monthly statistics.*

*-The Department currently has 5 vacancies and will have 7 by April 20th.*

**Motion by Commissioner Nasif to accept and file the February, 2022 Police Personnel Report. Motion seconded by Commissioner Yutuc. Unanimous approval.**

*A. Appointment of Officer Matthew Lee Baker to regular status following successful completion of probationary period.*

**Motion by Commissioner Jentz to approve the appointment of Officer Matthew Lee Baker to regular status following successful completion of probationary period. Motion seconded by Commissioner Kopp. Unanimous approval.**

III. Fire Chief Recruitment Process

*DISCUSSION:*

*-Chair Happel shared some comments with the Commission regarding the recruitment of a new Fire Chief and the importance of Commissioners being present for the recruitment process. In addition, he will be the media point of contact for questions regarding the recruitment.*

**Commissioner Jentz made a motion to thank Chief Ken Gilliam for his service to La Crosse. Commissioner Yutuc seconded. Unanimous approval.**

IV. Next Meeting Date: April 21, 2022

*A. Future Agenda Items*

*Fire Chief recruitment*

**Adjournment**

**Meeting adjourned by Chair Happel at 10:48 a.m.**