

#### OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that the Police and Fire Commission of the City of Stoughton, Wisconsin will hold a regular or special meeting as indicated on the date, time and location given below.

Meeting of the: The City of Stoughton Police and Fire Commission

Date /Time: Monday, October 21, 2019 @ 5:00 pm

Location: Hall of Fame Room 381 E Main Street, Stoughton

Members: Jon Lewis (President), Martin Lamers (Vice-President), Peter Sveum, Dorann

Bradford, Amie Edgington

Staff: HR Director Gillingham

1 Call to Order

2 Approval of committee meeting minutes from September 12, 2019 and

October 14, 2019

3 Discussion and possible action on time of PFC meetings

4 Fire Chief Quarterly Report

5 Police Chief Quarterly Report

6 \*\*Follow up: Performance update

7 Adjournment

#### NOTE: AN EXPANDED MEETING MAY CONSTITUTE A QUORUM OF THE COUNCIL.

**Submitted by:** Jon Lewis, President PFC

Sent to: (via e-mail)

Peter Sveum Martin Lamers Dorann Bradford Amie Edgington

Cc:

Mayor (e-mail) Department Heads (e-mail)

Council Members (e-mail) City Attorney Matthew Dregne (e-mail)

Stoughton Newspapers/WI (fax)
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Sara Monette (e-mail)
Candee Christen (e-mail)

Holly Licht (e-mail)

If you are disabled and are in need of assistance, please call 608-873-6677 prior to this meeting.

<sup>\*\*</sup> May move to closed session per State Statute 19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

# City of Stoughton Police and Fire Commission Meeting Minutes Thursday, September 12, 2019 Ed Overland Room

Members Present: Jonathan Lewis (President), Martin Lamers (Vice-President), Doran Bradford, Peter

Sveum, Amie Edgington

**Staff Present:** AJ Gillingham, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management, Chief Greg Leck

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Lewis at 5:00PM

2. Approval of committee meeting minutes from April 29, 2019 Motion to approve Lewis, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bradford, all in favor 5-0

# 3. Discussion and possible action regarding hiring process for the open lieutenant position

There was some discussion and review of the current Police Department structure with two Lieutenants. The response to the current recruitment for the Lieutenants position had been sparse, as anticipated. Chief Leck stated that dropping the second Lieutenants position and adding a fourth Sergeant might serve as a better structure. There is a need, per Chief Leck, for one Sergeant per shift. Having four sergeants, one Sergeant assigned to each shift, provides better guidance to the shift/team and would cover for the gaps left from having three Sergeants cover four shifts. This would maximize supervisory coverage 24/7 and there would be a cost savings of approximately \$9000. He also stated that some of the duties of the second Lieutenant would be shifted to the sergeants. There was some discussion regarding workload and Chief Leck confirmed that with the current personnel that this would be the best structure.

Motion by Lamers to move forward with the request for a fourth Sergeant and not backfill the Lieutenants position, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sveum, all in favor 5-0

# 4. \*\* Follow up: Performance update

Moved to Closed Session. Closed session statute read by Lamers.

Motion by Lamers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lewis to move into closed session, all in favor 5-0

Motion by Lewis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bradford to move to open session, all in favor 5-0

#### 5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Lewis, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lamers, all in favor 5-0 Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.

City of Stoughton Police and Fire Commission Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 14, 2019

Hall of Fame Room

<u>Members Present</u>: Jonathan Lewis (President), Martin Lamers (Vice-President), Doran Bradford, Peter Sveum, Amie Edgington

**<u>Staff Present</u>**: AJ Gillingham, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management

# 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Lewis at 4:31PM

2. \*\* Discussion and possible action regarding Employee Performance
Closed session statute read by Edgington.

Motion to move into closed session Sveum, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lamers, all in favor 5-0

Motion to move into open session Lewis, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lamers, all in favor 5-0

# 3. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Lewis, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edgington, all in favor 5-0 Meeting adjourned at 5:46pm.

Minutes submitted by Director Gillingham October 15, 2019

#### Memorandum

Date: October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019

To: City of Stoughton Police and Fire Commission

From: Fire Chief Scott Wegner

Re: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2019 Fire Department Report

In the 3rd quarter Stoughton Firefighters have volunteered a total of 871 hours at 103 incidents.

2019 Year to date Stoughton Firefighters have volunteered a total of 2909 hours over 277 incidents

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2019 between July 1<sup>st</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup> 2019 the Stoughton Fire Department responded to 103 incidents. From January 1<sup>st</sup> thru September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 SFD has responded to a total of 277 incidents. This is 15 less than in 2018 which was 292 incidents. Brief summaries are explained below for July, August and September activities.

During the month of July 2019, the Stoughton Fire Department responded to 43 emergency incidents. Thru July 31st 2019, SFD has responded to a total of 217 incidents.

City of Stoughton - 26 emergency incidents

Town of Dunn - 3 emergency incidents

Town of Rutland - 3 emergency incidents

Town of Dunkirk - 2 emergency incidents

Town of Pleasant Springs - 4 emergency incidents Mutual Aid - 5 emergency incidents

#### Notable incidents during the month of July 2019

7/5/2019 - Structure fire - Edgerton / Mutual aid - 2 hours 53 minutes: SFD was dispatched to 933 East Meadow Circle, in the City of Edgerton. This request was for a Chief, and an Engine company. Car #2, and Engine #3 were the responding SFD units. This request was from the Edgerton Fire Department, and was a second level box alarm for this address. Upon arrival Car #2 arrived and helped with Tenders, and Engine companies. Engine #3 provided assistance with defensive fire attack, and then salvage and overhaul operations.

7/7/2019 - MVC - Pleasant Springs - 1 hour 19 minutes: SFD responded to a multi-vehicle crash in Pleasant Springs with 3 patients. SFD assisted EMS, provided scene safety and directed traffic.

7/9/2019 - Gas leak - City of Stoughton - 1 hour 10 minutes: SFD was dispatched to a single family dwelling for the report of natural gas odor inside. Engine 1 and Squad 5 responded and fire crews used gas detection equipment to locate the presence of natural gas and zero readings were found on the first floor of the home. When investigating further in the basement, a max reading of 20% LEL was reported, and a leak near a gas union on the water heater was found. Alliant Energy emergency gas technicians were summoned and required a gas piping repair.

7/15/2019 - Elevator rescue - City of Stoughton - 1 hour 5 minutes: SFD was dispatched to 321 Dvorak Court (Rosewood Apartments) in the City of Stoughton, for an elevator rescue. This call was coded as an Alpha level response with Engine #1, Engine #3, and Squad #5 responding. Upon arrival SFD personnel located the elevator with the trapped patient. The patient was removed from the elevator at approximately 17:00 hours. EMS was requested to respond, non-emergency to check one the patient after removal from the elevator.

7/16/2019 - Structure fire - Verona / Mutual aid - 2 hours 58 minutes: SFD was alerted to a MABAS incident at 7811 Paulson Road in the Town of Verona. This was initially a request for a Tender, which was then upgraded to a Chief. SFD took a pass on a request for a Squad, and the Rehab unit. Tender #6, and Car #2 responded to the incident address. Upon arrival to the scene Tender #6 notified the Dane county communication center, and then staged with other area department Tenders. Car #2 arrived, and assisted command and operations with any of their needs. Tender #6 was released at 18:12 hrs. and Car #2 was released at 19:47 hrs.

7/18/2019 - Alarm - Dunn - 1 hour 6 minutes: SFD was dispatched to 1934 Quam Point Road in the Town of Dunn for a residential alarm activation. This alarm was called in by ADT security services. The call was coded as a Charlie level response. Engine 3 was the responding fire unit. While en-route Engine #1 was notified that ADT advised a key holder was en-route with a 30-minute ETA. Upon arrival of Engine #1, the report to the communication center was nothing showing from exterior, and all secure waiting for key holder. The key holder arrived, and access was made. It was discovered that water was coming through a smoke detector in the second floor of the house.

7/19/2019 - Gas leak - City of Stoughton - 2 hours 51 minutes: SFD was dispatched to the area of South Monroe and West South streets, in the city of Stoughton for an outside commercial line natural gas leak. SFD was informed that construction equipment had struck an underground gas supply line. The responding emergency units were Car #2, Engine #1, Engine #3, and Rescue #88. Upon arrival to the area of the incident a strong odor of gas was noticed. Car #2 arrived and reported a large scale gas leak caused by road construction equipment. Fire 1 assumed command, and called to cordon off the immediate area, and notify Alliant Energy. Command began working with Stoughton Police to evacuate the residential area. Approximately 16 single family homes were evacuated within one block of the incident. SFD crew members assisted with notifying, and evacuating the properties around the incident. The area was checked with gas detection meters, and relayed to command. A hose line was pulled from Engine #1 to cover and protect the incident area. Rescue #88 was requested to provide rehab, and welfare checks of firefighters, and Alliant technicians. SFD managed this incident on the Stoughton Fireground radio channel. The DaneCom radio system was experiencing radio failures, because of 2 electrical utility substation fires in Madison WI about the same time which resulted in Dane county 911 not being able to stay in contact with Stoughton emergency services. All emergency responders of SFD, EMS, and Police used local channels during the incident. No CAD notes, and end times were available for this incident because of the DaneCom issue. Dispatch, Arrival, Stop Loss, return to quarters and Ending times are all estimates. The digging was happening in front of 502 Monroe Street, at the time of the gas line strike. The line that was hit was a 2-inch supply that was crossing the middle of the road, 80 feet south of the street corner.

7/20/2019 - Electrical hazard - Dunkirk - 1 hour 26 minutes: SFD was dispatched to 2449 Hammond Road, in the Town of Dunkirk for an electrical hazard. SFD was advised that there was a report of a tree

branch on electrical wires near the dispatched area. Engine #1 was the responding fire unit. Upon arrival Engine #1 reported locating the tree on the wires. Engine #1 notified Stoughton police for Stoughton Utilities to be dispatched to the scene. Engine #1 remained on scene until the arrival of Stoughton Utilities. The utility pole was labeled as # 7HH 36/3.

7/24/2019 - MVC - Oregon / Mutual aid - 1 hour 7 minutes: At 03:03 am on 7/24/2019, Stoughton Squad #5 was requested by the Oregon Fire department, to assist with a traffic accident at Highway 14 and Hill road. This call was coded as a Delta level MVC with extrication. Units from both Stoughton, and Brooklyn were requested by Oregon Fire. Upon arrival Stoughton Squad #5 was assigned to help search for a person in a soybean field to the Southwest of the accident site. SFD personnel searched the field, and did not locate anyone. Squad #5 was released at 03:55 hrs.

7/27/2019 – Carbon Monoxide issue - Pleasant Springs - 2 hours 46 minutes: SFD was alerted to a residential CO alarm activation, at 2769 Alice Circle, in the Town of Pleasant Springs. This alarm was coded as a Bravo level response. Engine #1, and Fire 1 responded to the scene. Upon arrival Engine #1 reported an off duty EMT assisting occupants with evacuation, and turning off appliances. The windows had been opened, and a fan started in the basement, prior to SFD arrival. Gas detection equipment from SFD revealed levels of gas present in the basement. Alliant was notified to respond to the scene. Alliant arrived, and went inside with SFD personnel. It was determined that there was a loose fitting by a shut off valve, on a gas supply line.

7/28/2019 - Change of quarters - Edgerton / Mutual aid - 3 hours 17 minutes: SFD was requested to respond to 621 North Main Street (Edgerton Fire Department) for a Mutual aid change of quarter's request. Rock County had requested an engine company from Stoughton. Engine #3 responded with a crew of four personnel. Edgerton Fire was called to Janesville for a working fire at 2025 Holiday Drive. Stoughton Engine #3 returned to quarters at approximately 19:40

7/29/2019 – Extrication from machinery – 31 minutes: SFD along with EMS was dispatched to a residence in Pleasant Springs for the report of a juvenile with his fingers stuck in the wheel of a scooter. SFD units responded. Asst Chief Hale responded from his home nearby with a tool pouch and was able to free the youth from the scooter before Fire Units arrived.

# During the month of August 2019, the Stoughton Fire Department responded to a total of 34 emergency response requests.

City of Stoughton - 21 Emergency incidents Town of Dunn - 2 Emergency incidents

Town of Pleasant Springs - 3 Emergency incidents Mutual Aid - 4 Emergency incidents

#### Notable emergency incidents during the month of August 2019 are as follows:

8/10/2019 - City of Stoughton - C/O incident - 1 hour 19 minutes. SFD was dispatched to 925 East South Street, lower unit, in the City of Stoughton for a residential CO alarm activation. The call was coded as a Bravo level response. Fire 40 was first on scene, followed by Engine #1. Upon arrival Fire 40 met with the caller who reported that when he returned at 3pm the CO alarm was chirping a double

beep, occasionally. It was determined that the detector was giving an end of life alert, and replacing batteries did not correct it. The resident was advised to notify the landlord, to replace the detectors. The property owner did not answer the call from the resident, while SFD was on location. The detectors were both KN-COPP-B-LPM Kidde brand models. One was dated 6/16/11 and the other 1/2/2012. No hazards were found, and the incident was terminated at 17:26.

8/15/2019 - Town of Dunkirk - Residential gas leak - 1 hour 50 minutes. SFD was dispatched to 2620 Marilyn Drive in the Town of Dunkirk, for a residential LP gas leak. The call was coded as a Charlie level response, by the Dane county communication center. The responding fire units were Car #1, Engine #1, Squad #5, and Brush #7. SFD was advised that the caller, a housekeeper reported a gas odor in the basement. Upon arrival Car #1 reported a gas odor prior to entry of the property. Fire 1 assumed command of the incident on the Stoughton Fire repeater channel. The gas odor was evident in the basement, and first floor of the residence. Fire 1 evacuated two residents, and a caretaker. The daughter of the residents took all occupants to 2610 Marilyn, to evacuate the property. Engine #1 arrived, and took initial gas level readings from the front door of the property. Alliant was notified, and requested to respond. SFD personnel began to locate the LP supply tank for the property. Two LP tanks were located, and both were turned off. Squad #5 staged at the end of the long driveway, and gathered information from the occupants. Alliant arrived, and made initial entry to the home. Two firefighters accompanied the Alliant technician. The property was ventilated to clear all remaining gas, and odor from the A and C sides. Alliant was not able to locate a definite gas leak source. The LP tank supplying the house was requested to be turned back on, to check for leaks but the tank was empty, and had no pressure left. The incident was terminated at 12:57 hrs. The property owner was advised to contact their gas provider (Ferrell gas) to refill the LP cylinders, and contact a HVAC technician to locate, and correct the issue. The gas provider determined that the supply line from tank to hose was corroded, which caused the leak of the LP gas supply

8/19/2019 - City of Stoughton - Structure fire response - 1 hour 2 minutes. SFD was alerted to a possible structure fire at 1601 Kenilworth Court in the City of Stoughton. The call was coded as a Delta level working still. The responding emergency units were Car #1, Engine #1, Engine #3, Squad #5, Ladder #4, Rescue #87, and McFarland Engine #2. Upon arrival Car #1 reported a three story multi family dwelling, with occupant evacuation. Fire 1 assumed command of the incident. Engine #1 arrived, and a crew of four advanced a 1 3/4" hose line to the third floor, apartment #8. The hallways had light smoke, which increased at the third floor. Apartment #8 was opened to find a fully white smoke filled unit. E1 crews made entry to determine the cause of the smoke. It was determined that the smoke was caused by burnt food from the left rear burner, on a cookie sheet. The unit was not occupied. Windows and doors were opened to utilize natural ventilation. Engine #3 was assigned to provide ventilation fans to the third floor. McFarland was advised by radio to cancel, and return to quarters. Squad #5 and Ladder #4 both arrived, and staged for assignment. It was determined that the unit was occupied by 4 occupants all employed by Stoughton Trailers. One was a 1st shift employee, and the other 3 were 2nd shift. The contact at Stoughton Trailers was Rene Rosos Ramos, the Lead set manager. The knob of the stove in unit #8 was reported to be defective, unknown if the burner was on or off. The appliance was a Kenmore model 911 6268410, 4670535. The unit, and then hallways were vented to fully remove all of the smoke. Fire 2 reset the pull station at the rear of the building, upper floor. The incident was terminated at 17:17 hrs.

8/30/2019 - Mutual aid / Edgerton FD - Structure fire - 5 hours 23 minutes. SFD was alerted to a MABAS box 70-22 structure fire in the Town of Fulton. The address was 9235 North Arrowhead Shores Road. The requesting fire department was Edgerton Fire Dept., and they were requesting an Engine company, and a Chief to respond. The call was coded as a Delta level mutual aid hot, by the Dane County Communication Center. The responding Stoughton units were Engine #3, and Car #1. Originally SFD was dispatched for a change of quarters, with an Engine. Shortly after SFD was advised the call was upgraded to a full box level. The request from Stoughton was now an Engine, Chief, and EMS response. Engine #3 responded with a crew of four, and Car #1 with one personnel. Upon arrival Engine #3 was instructed to bring their crew to the scene. Firefighters Nihles, and Barber performed exterior fire extinguishment tasks. Fire5 interviewed the family, and also was command of the C side. Fire 1 served in the personnel staging, and accountability officer role. Fire 1 also monitored the crews in rehab. After exterior fire attack, venting, and overhaul, Engine #3 was released at 19:25 hrs. and Car #1 at 20:04 hrs.

# During the month of September 2019, the Stoughton Fire Department responded to a total of 26 emergency incidents.

City of Stoughton - 17 emergency incidents Town of Dunn - No emergency incidents

Town of Rutland - 1 emergency incident

Town of Dunkirk - 4 emergency incidents

Town of Pleasant Springs - 2 emergency incidents Mutual aid - 2 emergency incidents both at the request of the Cottage Grove Fire Dept. for: (1) Crash on I-39/90 (2) Reported structure Fire on Sunnyside St.

# The sizable, and notable incidents that occurred during the month of September 2019, are as follows:

9/2/2019 Gas leak - City of Stoughton - SFD was requested to respond to 400 North Morris Street (Skaalen Nursing Home) in the City of Stoughton, for a commercial gas leak investigation. The call was coded as a Delta level response. Engine #1 was the responding fire unit. The alarm was called in by Fire 42, who was on location. Upon arrival Engine #1 made entry, and began checking for any levels of natural gas concentrations, and possible odor source locations. Gas detection equipment was not able to read any levels of gas, at the property. The odor was reported in the kitchen area, and it is possible that a pilot may have been the source of the odor. Area was naturally vented no hazard found by SFD

9/7/2019 SFD was dispatched to the area of Rutland - Dunn Townline Road, and Lake Kegonsa Road in the Town of Rutland, for a water rescue. The responding fire unit was Squad #5, with a crew of five personnel. Prior to arrival of Squad #5 they were advised that the water was not high enough for imminent danger to life. Sheriff deputies were going to break a window to access the female patient. Incoming fire units were advised to slow down. Squad #5 arrived, and verified that no water rescue would be needed. Squad #5 was released from the scene at 03:21 hrs.

9/16/2019 Hazardous / Toxic Condition. SFD was dispatched to 1801 US Highway 51 (Cummins Filtration) in the City of Stoughton for a hazardous condition. The call was coded as a Bravo level response. Engine #1, Engine #3, along with Fire 1 and Fire 2 responded to the call. Upon arrival SFD units discovered a sewer gas odor. New plumbing was located on the property, that did not have a cap

or plug on it. The area was vented to remove the gas odor, and the plumbing was then covered. SFD personnel checked the area for hazards, finding no other issues. SFD accessed the problem area through overhead doors on the B side of the building. The incident was terminated at 18:40 hrs. and SFD units returned to quarters. The property was turned over to the facility manager and onsite staff.

9/21/2019 - Alarm - City of Stoughton - 1 hour 4 minutes. SFD was dispatched to 1426 West Main Street in the City of Stoughton, for a residential dwelling alarm activation. The call was coded as a Charlie level response. Engine #1 was the responding fire unit. Upon arrival Engine #1 made entry, and spoke with the reporting party. The caller advised that her 2-year-old child had pulled the fire alarm pull. The Engine #1 crew worked on silencing the alarm, and resetting it. There were no other safety hazards located at the address. The incident was cancelled at 20:38 hrs.

9/25/2019 - Structure fire - City of Stoughton - 1 hour 12 minutes. 911 paged SFD along with EMS for a DELTA level response Structure fire at 906 Skogdalen road with a possible injured person. Car-1, Engine 1, Ladder 4 and Car 2 responded. En-route units were advised that the fire appeared to be self-extinguished in a vehicle in the garage at 906 Skogdalen. Upon arrival of Car 1 it was observed that the female resident was being treated by an EMT for smoke inhalation. Engine 1 and Ladder 4 crews ventilated the dwelling using positive pressure fans. Engine -1 and Ladder 4 crews performed salvage and overhaul on the vehicle where the blaze started to determine and make sure fire in the vehicle was completely extinguished. Crews checked atmosphere in affected and adjacent units using a sensit 4 gas meter and because carbon monoxide concentrations were present in the ranges of 15 ppm CO to 35 ppm CO present in 906 Skogdalen and 912 Skogdalen. Crews ventilated all 3 dwellings until concentrations were below 3 ppm CO.

On 9/1/19 - 9/24/19 - 9/26/19 - SFD responded to Vehicles versus pedestrian's incidents - All in the City of Stoughton. On 9/1/19 @ Dunkirk Ave, On 9/24/19 @ Division & North St, and on 9/26 @ Roby Rd & Lincoln Ave

#### July Trainings and Work Details:

July 1st 2019: In addition to the regular SFD meeting, firefighters washed trucks and prepped equipment for SAFETY NIGHT @ the FAIR.

July 3rd 2019: 12 Stoughton firefighters along with the Police Dept., Ole the K9, EMS, DPW, Utility, Stoughton Hospital, The Wellness Coalition, State Patrol, DNR, Farm Bureau, and Kicks Unlimited spent there evening at the Stoughton Fair educating the kids and public about what each agency, group or business does and how folks can keep themselves and others safe. Kids got a chance to wear turn-out gear, handle a firehose and direct the water stream onto a fake house and may have gotten a ride on the ATV used for wildland fires.

July 4th 2019: Firefighters Alme, Gander and Venturino stood by as a safety team during the tractor pulls at the fair.

July 4th 2019: About 8:45 pm Firefighters assembled at the Fire Station and deployed into the neighborhoods around the fireworks display site in case of a fire situation would arise from the City / Chamber of Commerce sponsored fireworks display activities or event. Note: SFD did extinguish a small

grass fire at the fireworks display site about 2 hours after the display was over and the spectators had left the area.

July 7th 2019: About 8:45 pm Firefighters assembled at the Fire Station and deployed into the neighborhoods around the fireworks display site in case of a fire situation would arise from the Stoughton Fair sponsored fireworks display activities or event.

July 8th 2019: The SFD truck replacement committee met and continued to refine the specifications, review preliminary drawings and make minor modifications for the proposed Squad truck replacement in order to receive a proposal that would be within budget that will also meet the needs of the SFD for the foreseeable future. SFD has noticed that recent tariffs affecting metal prices do affect the cost of fire apparatus's, equipment and vehicles.

July 15th and July 22nd 2019: The members of SFD split up into 3 groups for training each night. One group practiced attaching to fire hydrants and pumping water to deployed fire attack hoses. Group 2 practiced drafting water from tanks or ponds, pools or other static water sources where fire hydrants or adequate water supplies are not available. Group 3 toured a new apartment building recently constructed in Nordic Ridge and the Senior Assisted Living property in Kettle Park West in order to familiarize themselves with the buildings layout and fire protection systems in case SFD need to respond there.

July 22nd 2019: SFD sent our Rescue Boat along with 4 firefighters to the McFarland Fire Department to participate in a Haz-Mat exercise on Lake Wabesa where firefighters practiced deploying floating booms on the water of Lake Wabesa in order to practice containing any potential flammable spill that could occur from any of the fuel tank farms located between McFarland and Madison.

Noteworthy: With recent donations, SFD has recently purchased installed a side scan sonar on the Rescue Boat to aid in locating objects or people in lakes, rivers and streams during water related incidents. SFD looks forward to training and using this new equipment.

#### **August Trainings and Work Details**

August 12<sup>th</sup> 2019 Different Companies of Firefighters practiced connecting to Fire Hydrants to establish water supply, drafting and pumping and moving water thru hoses and the third group toured recently constructed buildings in order to become familiar with the floor plans and fire protection systems onsite.

August 19<sup>th</sup> 2019 Firefighters refreshed SCBA skills, performed a low angle ropes exercise hoisting equipment up a hill and practiced lift scenarios using air bags.

August 26<sup>th</sup> 2019. From approximately 22:00 hrs. to 24:00 hrs. SFD Engine crew payed respects to fallen Memphis TN firefighter Grant Langer, son of Madison Fire Dept. Asst Chief Lance Langer

#### September Trainings and Work Details.

On 9/13, 9/14 and 9/15 Firefighters Gander and Hamilton participated in advanced hands on fire training sessions at the Badger Fire Conference at Madison Area Technical College.

On 9/23/19 the SFD members practiced and trained on Aerial truck and Ground ladder operations, and fire hose line advancement.

On 9/30 Members of the Fire Dept. cleaned and organized the Fire Station getting ready for the Fire Prevention Open House which was held on Saturday October 5th 2019.

On October 5<sup>th</sup> 2019 the Stoughton Fire Department held an Open House at the Fire Station that attracted about 450 kids and adults that included a treasure hunt, fire prevention information station, firefighter recruitment table, static displays of rescue equipment, water movement demo, specialized fire tools and PPE. People were able to meet and talk with the firefighters, see the equipment and kids were even able to practice using a fire hose to spray water onto or thru the windows of a house façade.

Since August on Wednesday nights and Saturdays the Stoughton Fire Department has been the host sight for the MATC entry level firefighter and haz-mat training which SFD probationary firefighters Emma Gunsolus and Mike Stacey are enrolled. They will be completing their entry level training in November and will then be eligible to engage in firefighting activities with SFD. Beginning in January 2020, Firefighter 1 will be offered at SFD.

In September I received letters of resignations from two volunteer firefighters. John Venturino and John Erlandson. On October 16th, 2019 the Fire Chiefs met and rearranged the roster to balance the number of members per company. At this time SFD has 7 vacancies. From the recruitment table efforts at the Open House, SFD has received one volunteer firefighter application. SFD has collected 3 applications lately and would like to request that the PFC schedule a date for interviews in November.

Submitted

Fire Chief Scott Wegner

#### STOUGHTON POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION

#### October 2019 Police Department Report

#### Last quarter highlights:

The department has noticed an uptick in both thefts and burglaries recently. The department is asking citizens to lock their homes and vehicles and to also keep garage doors closed. Usually easy targets are hit first. Many of the thefts from vehicles are occurring to unlocked vehicles.

The Stoughton Fair Safety Night on Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> was a moderate success. Many City Departments where represented along with the DNR and State Patrol. Crowds could have been bigger, but those attending seemed to have learned a lot. WE want to thank all of our safety partners for participating.

Catfish River Music Festival was uneventful from a police standpoint. The combination of the music festival and the fair made things busy for the department because of the number of people in town. Both events appeared to be well attended.

The department conducted a drill of the Capitol Area Police Mutual Aid (CAPMAR) plan. The drill went very well with the exception of some radio issues that were identified. The Dane County Chiefs Association CARMAR Committee with debrief the drill at an upcoming meeting. Staff will be addressing the radio issues immediately.

This month's report sees a continuation of an uptick in calls. During a six-day period the department responded to three separate shooting incidents, had two sexual assaults, several domestics, and numerous other incidents. Call details on the gun incidents are above and arrests were made in two of the incidents with the third being a firearms accident.

The department hosted its first Annual National Night Out celebration. The event was held at Nordic Ridge Park. The event had over 400 people attend and was a great success. The event featured food, music, and games. CSO Brooke Schmidt spearheaded the event and fundraising and we are grateful for all the business and individual donations that we received to cover the event. We are thankful to all the staff that participated and helped make our first event a success. We intend to hold the event each year.

Officer Carson Hoeper coordinated this year's Cop on a Rooftop fundraiser for WI Special Olympics at the Stoughton Dunkin Donuts. Assisting were CSO Schmidt, Officers O'Neil, Stachel, Dovichi, Wilkinson, Knoeck, Julseth, and Dispatcher Gander. Dane County Sheriff's Department and McFarland PD also assisted. Over \$1,771.00 was donated.

The department participated in this year's Coffee Break Festival. Our information booth also sold coffee grounds as a fundraiser for the Paul Kraby Memorial Fund. This fund

helps to cover costs of our annual Awards Banquet and future scholarships. A special thanks to CSO Schmidt and Officer Knoeck for covering the booth.

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Dog Swim and K-9 fundraiser was held at Troll Beach. Over 150 pets attended and \$3,500.00 was raised to continue funding our K-9 program. Special thanks to Officer O'Neil & Ole for hosting. They were assisted by Officers Hoeper, Dovichi, Johnson (PJ the DJ), Dispatcher Gander and CSO Schmidt.

The department held it's5th Annual Awards Banquet on September 28th. Officer Kyle Knoeck was recognized as Officer of the year by his peers. Community Service Officer Brook Schmidt was recognized as the Civilian Employee of the year. Staff nominates and votes on each of these prestigious awards on an annual basis. The banquet, held at the Christ Lutheran Church, also featured Retire Chief Kent Williams, a national speaker on officer resiliency.

Staff and Human Resources Director Gillingham and I, met with representative of Healthy Minds to begin an annual mental health checkup to staff at the PD. These "checkups" would be mandatory for all staff where they would meet with a police related psychologist as a way to provide support to staff.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Police Citizen's Academy class started on September 12<sup>th</sup>. This is by far our largest class to date with 16 attendees. Participants will continue with the Academy Classes through the middle of November with graduation.

Officer Noel Crystal completed three weeks of Drug Recognition Expert Training to become the departments DRE. The training was supported by a grant from the Stoughton Wellness Coalition and the Madison Area Safe Communities. As a DRE, Officer Crystal will be able to identify drug impaired persons using specialized medical evaluation skills that are recognized by the Court System. The department did not previously have a DRE Officer.

# **Personnel Updates**

The department is continuing to look at option for the replacement of the vacant Lieutenants position. The department received very poor numbers of applicants when advertising for the position. The department now has a proposal before the City Council to change the Lieutenants to a  $4^{th}$  Sergeants position.

Officer Kade Wilkinson and his wife welcomed a new baby girl. Both mother and baby are doing fine. Officer Wilkinson will be on Family Leave till the middle of August.

#### **Significant Incidents**

7-04-19, Officers arrested a 17-year-old male for Battery and Resisting/Obstructing an officer following disturbance that occurred during the fair where the subject had battered another individual. When contacted by officers the subject resisted arrest.

- 7-04-19, Officers arrested a 22-year-old female for Felony Bail Jumping, Stalking, Unlawful Use of Telephone to Threaten, Violation of a Restraining Order following the subject continually contacting a person in violation of a Restraining Order.
- 7-07-19, Officers arrested a 25-year-old male for 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Sexual Assault, Impede Breathing Kidnapping, False Imprisonment, Battery, and Disorderly Conduct following an extremely violent domestic disturbance.
- 7-23-19, Officers arrested four individuals that were involved in a Felony Retail Theft at Walmart. A 30-year-old female, a 27-year-old female, and two 22-year-old males were all charged with Felony Theft, Bail Jumping and one of the 22-year-old males had Outstanding Warrants. The group was also suspected of committing several large retail thefts in both Dane and Rock Counties. The quick response by Walmart Loss Prevention employees and officers were responsible for apprehending these individuals.
- 7-31-19, Officers are investigating a reported Armed Robbery that occurred at a residence. The suspect was known to the victim. An attempt to apprehend the suspect later resulted in the suspect fleeing on foot following a traffic stop. Suspect remains at large.
- 8-01-19, Officers referred charges on an 18-year-old male for Resisting/Obstructing an Officer and Felony Bail Jumping following a subject running from the officer after a traffic stop. The suspect was wanted in conjunction with an Armed Robbery that had occurred prior to the stop.
- 8-03-19, Officers have referred charges of Felony Retail Theft and Felony Bail Jumping on a 41-year-old female and a 55-year-old male following a felony theft of merchandise from Walmart.
- 8-04-19, Officers arrested a 29-year-old female for Retail Theft, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Felony Bail Jumping following a shoplifting incident at an auto parts store. A 32-year-old male was also arrested for Party to a Crime of Retail Theft and a Probation Hold.
- 8-05-19, Officers took a 14-year-old female into Protective Custody and transported her to the Juvenile Reception Center on a charge of Disorderly Conduct following disturbance at a residence and the subject had threatened others with a hammer.
- 8-09-19, Officers arrested a 23-year-old male for Burglary following an investigation into several downtown burglaries. Officers were investigating several downtown burglaries and were able to identify the suspect during another attempted burglary.
- 8-17-19, Officers arrested a 19-year-old male for 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Reckless Endangerment and Battery following a confrontation between individuals. One subject was struck on the arm with a baseball bat. The subject with the bat then entered the residence, came back out with a handgun and fired at the subjects, who then fled the area. The suspect was then contacted following the execution of a search warrant. The weapon was recovered and it was determined that it was a blank pistol.
- 8-20-19, Officers took a 16-year-old male into protective custody and transported him to the Juvenile Reception Center on charges of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Reckless Endangerment, Carrying a Concealed Weapon, and Criminal Damage to Property following a disturbance at a residence. The disturbance lead to several gunshots being fired from a vehicle into a house. One of the rounds struck a residence not involved in the disturbance. A 17-year-old male was also charged with being a Party to a Crime after officers located them when they fled the area. No injuries resulted from the incident.

8-22-19, Officers referred charges of Child Neglect on a 25-year-old female and a 28-year-old male after two children, ages two and four, were found wondering near the street dressed only in diapers. Dane County Human Services took custody of the children, as well as an infant that was in the residence. Conditions in the residence were not fit for children.

8-27-19, Officers arrested an 18-year-old male, a 17-year-old male, and referred a 15-year-old male for Burglary following an entry at the Sandhill Elementary School. Officers were able to recover computers that were stolen. Subjects were initially contacted by school staff in the building.

9-15-19, Officers arrested a 25-year-old male for Felony Bail Jumping following when the officers observed him having victim contact in violation of his bail conditions.

9-17-19, Officers arrested a 26-year-old male for Physical Abuse of a Child following a domestic disturbance call. Suspect had reportedly slapped a 10-year-old child. Suspect was also arrested by Dane County Sheriff's Deputies who had responded while Stoughton Officers were busing on other calls for Battery & Disorderly Conduct, separate of the Child Abuse.

#### **July Statistics**

The Stoughton Police Department logged 2787 incidents for July. Cases of interest for the month were: Four OWI, six burglaries, four drug incidents, eleven thefts, thirteen domestic disturbances, eight threats, forty-eight disturbances, twenty-five disorderly conducts, twenty-three traffic crashes, fifty EMS assists, thirteen alarms, twelve juvenile incidents, seventy-four 911 calls, four warrant arrests, twenty-seven animal complaints, and officers responded to thirty-five suspicious activity calls. Officers also logged 56 check persons, 56 check properties, 107 assist cases, 55 criminal charges, 30 ordinance violations, and 113 traffic arrests from 78 traffic stops.

#### **August Statistics**

The Stoughton Police Department logged 2,636 incidents for August. Cases of interest for the month were: one armed robbery, three OWI's, eight burglaries, five drug incidents, twenty-five thefts, seven domestic disturbances, six threats, twenty-eight disturbances, thirty-two disorderly conducts, twenty traffic crashes, fifty-five EMS assists, eleven alarms, eight juvenile incidents, fifty-eight 911 calls, four warrant arrests, thirty-two animal complaints, and officers responded to forty-two suspicious activity calls. Officers also logged 49 check persons, 51 check properties, 103 assist cases, 38 criminal charges, 30 ordinance violations, and 53 traffic arrests from 78 traffic stops.

# **September Statistics**

The Stoughton Police Department logged 2484 incidents for September. Cases of interest for the month were: two OWI's, two burglaries, six drug incidents, sixteen thefts, seven domestic disturbances, seven threats, twenty-eight disturbances, eight disorderly conducts, twenty-eight traffic crashes, fifty-four EMS assists, fifteen alarms, seventeen juvenile incidents, sixty 911 calls, three warrant arrests, twenty-three animal complaints, and officers responded to thirty-nine suspicious activity calls. Officers also logged 37

check persons, 52 check properties, 105 assist cases, 25 criminal charges, 10 ordinance violations, and 17 traffic arrests from 59 traffic stops.

# **Training Highlights**

# <u>July</u>

Detective Adams attended 40 hours of Cellibrite training in New Lenox, IL

Nine officers attended Active Shooter In-service in Oregon.

SRO Dovichi attended 8 hours of Digital Threat Assessment in Janesville.

### **August**

Officers Olson & Sime attended 40 hours of Basic Special Weapons and Tactics training in Waukesha.

# **September**

Officer Crystal completed the Drug Recognition Expert Training and is now a Certified DRE.

Sergeants Johnson and Miller completed 16 hours of supervisor critical incident training at Madison College.

Sgt. Johnson and Officer Knoeck participated in Refuse to be a Victim Training at the Senior Center.

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