

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
JANUARY 22, 2020
6:00 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Michael R. Smith
Council Members: John Hill, Timothy Flanigan,
Sandra Magiera, Janet Koch
City Clerk: Tracy Chamberlain
Fire Chief: Nicholas Bocharski
Municipal Training Officer: William Smith
BPU General Manager: Dennis Hensel
BPU Electric Department Supervisor: Jeffrey Pond, Jr.

ABSENT: Council Member Michael Lonto

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss training requests.

Council Member/Fire Commission Chairman Magiera stated that the Fire Department is looking to get clarification on what trainings are allowed. There will soon be retirements in the Fire Department and they will need have staff trained to fill those positions.

Fire Chief Bocharski explained that he and Municipal Training Officer Smith only forward requests that are mandatory for staff to maintain certifications. He noted that nearly all Fire trainings could be considered as safety training. They are also working on clarifying what NYS considers to be mandatory.

Previously there were trained Fire Investigators consisting of five firefighters and one police officer. These need to be replaced. Cattaraugus County Emergency Management Services currently provides assistance when needed.

Some officers have attended trainings on their own or through volunteer departments. The new online Training Solutions program is also helpful for officers to complete inhouse.

Council Member/Fire Commission Chairman Magiera requested a list of the plans for trainings that the department would like to see completed.

Council Member Koch feels they should attend mandatory and also safety related trainings. She does not want someone not trained for safety. She suggested that all Department Heads provide a list of trainings for their department. Fire Chief Bocharski felt a five-year plan would be a good idea. Council Member Flanigan agreed with the five-year plan, including possible retiring staff.

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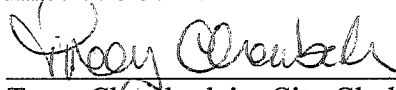
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At this time Council Member Hill arrived to the meeting.

Fire Chief Bocharski and Municipal Training Officer Smith thanked the Council for meeting with them.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.



Tracy Chamberlain, City Clerk

DATED: January 28, 2020

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(CC MEMBER
HILL ARRIVED)

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