

# Police and Fire Commission Meeting

August 24, 2020

6:00 PM

Virtually via:

<https://tinyurl.com/RFPFComm8242020>

River Falls City Hall  
Council Chambers  
222 Lewis Street  
River Falls, WI

Police

Fire

**POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION MEETING**  
**August 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.**

*\*\*Please note that due to the ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency, some or all members of this governing body may attend via telephone or internet. The City Council Chambers will be open to the public but limited to 10 attendees or less due to social distancing. (To access, use the lower level doors.)*

*If you wish to watch the meeting, for your personal safety and the safety of our community, you are invited to do so from your home. You can see the meeting by visiting this link: <https://tinyurl.com/RFPFComm8242020>*

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***NOTE: OFFICIAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY AGENDA ITEM***

**Agenda**

Call Meeting to Order

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes: May 6, 2020 Regular Meeting

**Police Department**

- 1) Action on Removal from Probation for Officer Derek Hokkanen (effective 9-5-2020)

Adjournment

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***Posted: August 17, 2020 at 11:00 am***

**POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

**May 6, 2020 @ 6:15 p.m.**  
River Falls City Council Chambers  
222 Lewis Street  
River Falls, WI

Police and Fire Commission President Mark Sams called the meeting to order at 6:19 p.m. in a virtual meeting format due to the Covid-9 pandemic. The City Council Chambers was open for public to attend.

Commission Members Present: Mark Sams, Grant Hanson, Gary Donath,  
Dick Rinehart

Absent: None

Staff Present: Police Chief Gordon Young, Fire Chief Scott  
Nelson, IT Specialist Jon Smits

Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes from September 3, 2019  
**MSC Hanson/Rinehart Unanimous.**

Approval of Minutes: Workshop Minutes from December 4, 2019  
**MSC Hanson/Donath Unanimous.**

- 1) Action on Grade Step and Removal from Probation for Officer Jordan Hemker (effective 5-17-2020)  
Chief Young provided background on Officer Hemker, who moved quickly through the FTO process and has shown himself to be a very good employee with a caring attitude.  
**MSC Rinehart/Hanson, to for approval to remove Officer Hemker from probationary status. Unanimous by roll call vote.**

Other business: Officer Bryant Ekstrom is retiring on May 29 after 33 years with the department. Due to the pandemic, no reception will be held, nor will the position be immediately filled.

Adjournment: **MSC Rinehart/Donath.** Meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Ailene Splittgerber  
Recording Secretary