



Accepted: June 19, 2024

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Dan Mortensen called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Members present: Dan Helgeson, Jim Pinsonneault, Mark Maloney, and Dan Mortensen. Board member Jamie Weiland is excused. Also present: Chief of Police Jeremy Hunt, Rothschild Administrator Ryan VanDeWalle, Weston Administrator Jami Gebert, Captain Nicholas Aldrich, and Clerk Elizabeth Felkner.

2. Announcements and Statements from the Audience: None.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting(s):

Motioned by Maloney/Helgeson to Approve the Oversight Board Meeting Minutes of April 11, 2024 as Presented. Questioned and carried 4:0.

4. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Current Office Layout and Staffing:

Chief Hunt gave a brief update of the current layout between the office space and staffing. Parking, locker rooms, office space and equipment are moving forward in the right direction. Chief Hunt mentioned that there is a tentative offer for Kou Moua with a potential start date of May 20th. Chief Hunt mentioned that one officer did except a position with Marathon County and will no longer be with the department.

No Action Taken.

5. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Purchasing and Selling of Firearms:

Chief Hunt mentioned that Everest Metro officers currently have 45 caliber Glocks and Rothschild officers have 40 caliber Glocks. All employees' equipment holsters currently hold 45 caliber Glocks. With the equipment all being uniformed, Chief Hunt is requesting to sell all other Glocks/handguns non 45 calibers, and to purchase 45 caliber Glocks to replace and be synced. Chief Hunt mentioned that Officer Weiland's firearm is still in service and will be handing that firearm to Officer Weiland's spouse. Chief Hunt mentioned the other firearms will go to Wisconsin Surplus Auction for sale and the funds from the sales will be utilized for the purchase of new firearms. The purchase of the new firearms will go through Kiesler Supply at \$409.00 per gun with a grand total of \$18,142.00. The Board gave Chief Hunt the authority to move forward with offering the officers the opportunity to purchase their current firearm if needed.

Motioned by Helgeson/Pinsonneault to Allow Chief Hunt to Move Forward with the Selling and Purchasing of Firearms in the Department as Discussed. Questioned and carried 4:0.



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6. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Employee Benefits through the State of Wisconsin:

Mr. VanDeWalle explained that Mountain Bay Metro Police Department will begin Wisconsin benefits on January 1, 2025. With that being said, Mr. VanDeWalle is requesting the Board to approve the Mountain Bay Metro Employees use the Village of Rothschild's Wisconsin Retirement System benefits for 2024. Mr. VanDeWalle did mention that a resolution will be brought forward to the Board that will officially allow state benefits for the Mountain Bay Metro Employees starting January 1, 2025.

Motioned by Maloney/Helgeson to Allow Mountain Bay Metro Employees use the Village of Rothschild Wisconsin Retirement System benefits in 2024 and then have the Mountain Bay Metro Police Department Wisconsin Benefits Begin January 1, 2025. Questioned and carried 4:0.

7. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the Town of Weston:

Mr. VanDeWalle explained the services agreement to the Board. The agreement is with the Town of Weston.

Motioned by Maloney/Pinsonneault to Approve the Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the Town of Weston. Questioned and carried 4:0.

8. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the MOU of the SRO D.C. Everest School District:

Chief Hunt explained the MOU with the Mountain Bay Metro Police Department and the D.C. Everest School District. Chief Hunt is requesting the Board to negotiate with the School District the cost of having the School Resource Officers at the schools for D.C. Everest. Chief Hunt is requesting a flat rate which would include the cost of the officers, overtime, vehicle use, etc.

Motioned by Pinsonneault/Helgeson to Allow Chief Hunt to Negotiate the SRO D.C. Everest School District MOU and Present at a Future Meeting for Final Approval. Questioned and carried 4:0.

9. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Mountain Bay Metropolitan Auditor for 2024 and Beyond:

Mr. VanDeWalle presented two proposals to the Board. One is from KerberRose and the other is from CLA. They are almost identical in pricing. Mr. VanDeWalle mentioned that the Village of Rothschild is currently utilizing CLA as their Auditor and is requesting the same for the Mountain Bay Metro Department.



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Motioned by Pinsonneault/Helgeson to Approve CLA as the Auditor for the Mountain Bay Metropolitan Police Department for 2024 and Beyond. Questioned and carried 4:0.

10. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Municipal Judge Wages:

Mr. VanDeWalle proposed to the Board to adjust the Municipal Judge wage to accommodate the new court in conjunction with this police department merger. Originally, the judge was making \$12,000.00 annually here to do the Village of Rothschild, Village of Edgar and Village of Marathon City. However, with the additions, we are looking to accommodate for the changes. Therefore, the proposal is to increase the 2024 wages and begin in May of 2024, and go from a monthly income amount of \$1,000.00 to \$2,250.00. This rate would be locked in until 1/1/2026. At that time, we would look to increase to \$2,500.00 monthly. The judge is up for election in the spring of 2027.

Motioned by Pinsonneault/Helgeson to Approve the Municipal Judge Wage for May 1, 2024 to January 1, 2026 Not to Exceed \$2,250.00 per Month with No Negotiations or Changes Permitted. Questioned and carried 4:0.

11. Set Date, Time, and Agenda Items to Discuss at Next Meeting:

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at 3:30 p.m.

12. Adjourn:

Motion by Helgeson/Pinsonneault to Adjourn. Questioned and carried 4:0. Meeting Adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Prepared by: Elizabeth Felkner, Clerk