



Special Joint Meeting
Town of Darien Board of Supervisors and Village of Darien Trustees
Wednesday, January 19, 2022 5:30 p.m.
Darien Village Hall, 24 N. Wisconsin Street, Darien Wisconsin 53114

Call to Order

Town of Darien Chairperson Cecil Logterman called the Joint Meeting to the Town of Darien Board of Supervisors and Village Board of Trustees to order at 5:30 p.m. Darien Village Hall, 24 N. Wisconsin Street, Darien, Wisconsin.

Roll Call – Town of Darien

Clerk Marilyn S. Larson called the roll for the Town Board; Chairperson Cecil Logterman, Supervisors: Rich Keyzer, Keven Schutt, Dale Wheelock, and Bud Wojcik. Town Treasurer Rick Logterman and Town Attorney was excused.

Roll Call – Village of Darien

Village Administrator Clerk/Treasurer Lindsey Peterson called the roll for the Village of Darien Trustees: Ken Truckey, Elizabeth Baumann, Kevin Atkinson. Village President Jane Stiles was present through Zoom. Trustees Will Volmar and Cheryl Kaufenberg were absent.

Others Present: Greg Epping and Fire/EMS Chief Justin Schuenke was present through Zoom.

Discussion and possible action relating to the employment classification for the Fire Chief position

Administrator Clerk/Treasurer Lindsey Peterson shared the information which she contacted 50 Fire Departments and 37 of them responded back to which included Population, Joint Department, Chief Type, Annual Pay, Benefits, and Paid on Call. Discussion amongst the Supervisors and Trustees. The average Volunteer Chief salary is \$6,683 and receives paid on call and training. Trustee Truckey suggested to continue Volunteer for the Town/Village; but possible raise the stipend. Neighboring municipalities indicated their pay is higher for the Fire Chief. Chief Schuenke explained the EMT and EMT-A pay level on call pay; and suggested if the members want to receive more money all then need is more education. Trustee Truckey moved to keep the classification for Fire Chief position Part-Time Volunteer with a review in year for possible adjustments; seconded by Elizabeth Baumann; carried unanimously.

Discussion and possible action to set the compensation for the Fire Chief position

Fire Chief compensation was discussed amongst Supervisors and Trustees. Supervisor Schutt moved to approve a \$7,000 Salary Part-time Volunteer Fire Chief and keep the on-call base the same; seconded by Trustee Elizabeth Baumann; carried unanimously.

Review, discussion and possible action to approve the job description for the Fire Chief position

Fire Chief's job description was discussed amongst Supervisors and Trustees which Chief Schuenke shared with the Boards. Fire Chief Schuenke explained some of the Fire Chief duties and suggested that the Fire Chief should appoint a person to be an emergency contact to the Emergency Officer to the Walworth County. Discussion amongst Supervisors and Trustees when the posting of the job advertisement for the Darien Fire/EMS Department would be begun and end for the Fire Chief position. Supervisor Schutt moved to post the job advertisement for three weeks; seconded by Trustee Truckey; carried unanimously.


Schedule next meeting date

As needed.

Adjourn

There be no further business to come before the Joint Meeting with Town of Darien and Village of Darien; Trustee Truckey moved to adjourn at 6:17 p.m. seconded by Supervisor Keyzer; carried unanimously.

Approved by the Darien Town Board

 2-1-2022
Cecil R. Logterman Date