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**CITY OF AUBURN HILLS**

**PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY  
COMMISSION MEETING**

**May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Ron Moniz called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

**ROLL CALL:** Ms. Gail Cartwright, Present  
Mr. Donearl Johnson, Present  
Mr. Eugene Hawkins, Present  
Mr. Jay Boelter, Present  
Mr. Ron Moniz, Present

Also Present: Fire Chief Adam Massingill  
Assistant Chief Trevin Robinson  
Administrative Officer Owen Milks  
Police Chief Ryan Gagnon  
Lt. Michelle Hesse  
Fire Department Clerk Dawn Schultz

**LOCATION:** Community Center Seyburn Room B.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** HAWKINS moved to approve the minutes from February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025 with no corrections.

Supported by CARTWRIGHT.

**VOTE:** Yes: All  
No: None

**Motion carried (5-0)**

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS (PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD)**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

- a. **Consider the Approval to Purchase one 2026 Wheeled Coach Ambulance.** This item was presented by Fire Department Administrative Officer Owen Milks.
  - a. AHFD currently operates 3 front line ambulances and 1 reserve. Looking to replace the reserve.
  - b. The reserve is a 2015 vehicle with over 130,000 miles on it.
  - c. Sourcewell provided a quote of \$425,289.
  - d. The vehicle can be provided within 10 to 12 months from the date of order through Emergency Vehicles Plus.
  - e. Majik Graphics will provide the decaling for \$3,375.
  - f. DPW prefers to remove vehicles from service at the 80,000-mile mark.
  - g. DPW recommends replacing rescues every 2 years until we get on a cycle for the rescues to be replaced at the 80,000-mile mark.

Discussion with questions and answers ensued including which rescue would then be moved to reserve, where rescues are currently located, standardization of all rescues currently in service, maintaining the same layout, warranty, and the DPW fleet replacement schedule.

**Motion:** JOHNSON moved to recommend to the City Council the purchase of one 2026 Wheeled Coach Ambulance from Emergency Vehicle Plus in the amount of \$425,289.00, and associated decal and graphic work by Majik Graphics in the amount of \$3,375.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$428,664.00, to be paid from the Fleet Division of the Department of Public Works, GL #661-594-981.000.

Supported by BOELTER.

**VOTE:** Yes: All  
No: None

**Motion carried (5-0)**

- b. **Consider the Approval to Purchase Radar Speed Display/Changeable Message Sign Trailer.** This item was presented by Police Chief Ryan Gagnon.
  - a. PD currently has 2 message sign trailers.
  - b. The oldest one is 11 years old and has maintenance issues.
  - c. BidNet Direct post resulted in a bid from Applied Concepts, Inc. for \$20,884.
  - d. PD has a positive past experience with purchases from this company.
  - e. Remote capabilities to program the sign.
  - f. Solar Powered
  - g. 5-year warranty
  - h. Utilized to reduce speeds and for special events.

Discussion with questions and answers ensued including number needed, subscription based, can cancel at any time, and number and locations of signs currently being used.

**Motion:** CARTWRIGHT moved to recommend to the City Council the purchase of a new radar speed display/changeable message sign trailer from Applied Concepts Inc. in an amount, not to exceed \$20,884.00.

Supported by BOELTER.

**VOTE:** Yes: All  
No: None

**Motion carried (5-0)**

- c. Consider the Approval to Purchase Microphones for Motorola Radios.** This item was presented by Police Chief Ryan Gagnon.
- a. August of 2023, new radios were received from Oakland County.
  - b. Microphones were provide but are difficult to hear in loud environments.
  - c. Budgeted money to enhance the microphones through forfeiture funds.
  - d. Motorola, through Oakland County, has current competitive pricing with Mobile Communications America (MCA). Competitive pricing is through that bid.
  - e. Microphones were tested and approved by staff.
  - f. Wireless/Bluetooth capabilities.

Discussion with questions and answers ensued including remaining value in county supplied equipment, amount available in drug forfeiture fund, funds rolling over, funds not able to be placed in general fund.

**Motion:** HAWKINS moved to recommend to the City Council the purchase of 10 Motorola APX wireless speaker microphones and 40 Motorola XVP830 corded speaker microphones from Mobile Communications America under the Oakland County Bid for an amount not to exceed \$19,350.00.

Supported by BOELTER.

**VOTE:** Yes: All  
No: None

**Motion carried (5-0)**

## **REPORTS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS**

- a. Fire Department Report.** Chief Adam Massingill presented the Fire Department Report.
- a. Station remodels for Station 1 and 3 should be completed in 6 months. Station 2 can begin by the end of the year.
  - b. Midpoint inspection on new ladder truck first week of June.
  - c. New command vehicle approved by city council. This will replace the old command vehicle- a 2015 Dodge Ram with 100,000 miles that has just been taken out of service due to mechanical issues.
  - d. Dashboards provided to committee members on service data.
  - e. As of April 1<sup>st</sup>, 65% of overtime budget has been used.
  - f. Staffing struggles-administration often covers nights, weekends and holidays.

- i. 1 conditional offer extended for a suppression position.
- ii. 2 suppression personnel injured.
- iii. 1 part-time admin position resignation.
- iv. 3 part-time personnel graduating from paramedic class in the next month.
- v. EMS Workforce Grant-another \$360,000 requested to add 15 more part-time personnel.
- vi. Safer Grant-staffing grant just opened after a delay by FEMA.
- vii. Working with the city manager's office to reevaluate additional positions.

Discussion with questions and answers ensued regarding AO Milks 25-year anniversary, electric vehicle fire training, fire blankets, call volume increases, staffing issues, Gary Chapman's retirement, overtime budget, cost of paramedic training, and assistance from city council with regard to staffing issues.

**b. Police Department Report.** Police Chief Ryan Gagnon presented the Police Department Report.

- a. 1<sup>st</sup> quarter was busy
  - i. Organized retail fraud at the mall.
  - ii. Child drowning.
  - iii. Stabbing incident at the high school.
  - iv. Human trafficking case.
  - v. Barricaded person/mental health crisis.
  - vi. Armed robbery of a marijuana delivery driver.
  - vii. Murder/suicide at Holiday Inn.
  - viii. Retail fraud at mall-first degree resisting and obstructing arrest.
  - ix. Child sex abuse arrest.
  - x. Possession of meth arrest.
  - xi. Assisted Troy PD at shooting at the hospital.
- b. Celebrate Officer Saikalis-American Legion Officer of the Year
- c. Awards Banquet.
- d. Platoons all have 6 officers assigned with a supervisor.
- e. Officer Mahon rotating back to Community Engagement Officer.
- f. 1 Officer off on restricted duty.
- g. Discussing assigning an officer to Oakland County's Human Trafficking Task Force.
- h. 1 officer hired with 12 years' experience and 2 more graduating from the academy.
- i. Currently have 4 positions open.
- j. Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Program Assessment-100% compliance. Expect to be re-accredited in June.
- k. Chik-Fil-A-no traffic issues.
- l. Retired Chief Jack Dalton passed away.
- m. Staff going through annual Use of Force Training.

Discussion with questions and answers ensued regarding Chik-Fil-A, 2-hour parking downtown, awards banquet, positive culture in the department, Skip Taylor award invitation, Stay Bright program, engagement with neighborhoods, city's draw for experienced officers, wages and training, and unique opportunities in the city.

**Motion:** HAWKINS motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Supported by JOHNSON.

**VOTE:** Yes: All  
No: None

**Motion carried (5-0)**

**ADJOURNMENT** 6:16 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dawn Schultz  
Fire Department Clerk