

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

PERRYSBURG CITY COUNCIL

APRIL 16, 2019

Council President Jim Matuszak called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Council Members Deborah Born, Jim Matuszak, Jonathan Smith, Barry VanHoozen, and Becky Williams (5). Tim McCarthy was absent (1). Also present were Mayor Tom Mackin, Laura Alkire, Law Director, and Bridgette Kabat, City Administrator.

Mr. Matuszak stated that the purpose of the meeting was to allow City Council members not involved in the interview process to meet Pat Jones, the Mayor's recommendation for Police Chief. Mr. Matuszak said that the process went very well, a thorough vetting was done, and there was a lot of competition.

Mr. Jones stated that he has been with the Perrysburg Police Division for approximately fifteen years, currently serving as a Detective, and prior to that, he was a lieutenant with the Hancock County Sheriff's Department. He said that he has a master's degree in criminal justice, and has 23 years' experience in the field.

Ms. Born asked Mr. Jones about the dispatchers and radios. Mr. Jones acknowledged that those were big issues to address in the future, but he had not been involved in those discussions. He said that those decisions will need to be based on officers' safety and what is best for the citizens of Perrysburg.

Mr. VanHoozen asked what Mr. Jones' top two priorities would be. Mr. Jones said that his top two priorities would be getting the command structure back into place and the radio system.

Mr. Smith thanked Mr. Jones for applying for the job, and he said he comes highly recommended.

Mayor Mackin thanked Chief Tullis of the Maumee Police Division, who was in attendance at the meeting, for being a part of the process.

Mr. Matuszak said that on paper there was competition, but once he met with Mr. Jones he knew he was the right person for the job.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Matuszak moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Smith. Ayes: (5). Nays: (0).

David D. Creps, Clerk

Thomas G. Mackin, Mayor