

**CITY OF MERRILL**  
**POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION**

Wednesday, April 25, 2018 • 5:15 p.m.  
Conference Room – City Hall • 1004 E. First St., Merrill, WI

Members Present: Kurt Helmstadter (Chair), Nicole Johnson (Secretary), Don Heyel, Carol Holz, and Paul Russell  
Members Absent: None  
Others Present: Mayor Derek Woellner, Police Chief Bennett, and City Administrator Dave Johnson

**I. Call to Order:**

Chair Kurt Helmstadter called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m.

**II. Approval of Minutes:** Meeting on February 15, 2018

Moved (Holz/Russell) to approve the Commission's minutes of February 15, 2018. *Carried.*

**III. Public Comment Period:**

Carol Holz would like to publicly thank Scott Krause for taking on his leadership role in the absence of a Fire Chief. No other comments.

**IV. Next Meeting Date:**

To be held at 5:15 p.m. on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at the City Hall in the conference room.

**V. Closed Session(s):** Convened at 5:22 p.m.

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes Section 19.85(1)(c), moved (Heyel/Holz) that the Commission go into closed session "to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the Commission has jurisdiction of exercises responsibility. *Carried.*

**VI. Reconvene in Open Session:** Reconvened at 9:37 p.m.

The committee may reconvene in open session to recommend the new Fire Department Chief. Motion to move to open session (Russell/Holz). *Carried.*

Motion made to hire Josh Klug as Fire Chief (Russell/Heyel): Carried by role call vote: 3 to 2 vote, *motion carried.*

**VII. Adjournment:**

Moved to adjourn at 9:39 p.m. (Heyel/Russell). *Carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Johnson  
Secretary  
Merrill Police and Fire Commission