

**VILLAGE OF HARRISON
FIRE COMMISSION MINUTES
Thursday, May 21st, 2020
6:00 PM**

1. Call to order – The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Virtual meeting no flag was present
3. Roll Call – Present: Chad Moder, Kevin Rolain, Jeff Vandenboogard, Jon Zink. Also present: Interim Fire Chief Jarred Gerl. Mike Pompas joined later in the meeting.
4. Approve minutes from June 13th, 2019. Motion made by Jeff VandenBoogard, seconded by Kevin Rolain. Motion carried 4-0
5. Approve minutes from Oct 14th, 2019. Motion made by Kevin Rolain, seconded by Jon Zink. Motion carried 4-0
6. Public comments – None
7. Recommend Appointments of new members
 - a. Seth Barr, currently with Harrison Fire will be taking a lateral move over to Harrison EMS. Chief Gerl felt like this was a good move based on Seth’s experience with Harrison Fire and as a Dispatcher for Calumet County. Seth already has training and licensure as an EMT.
 - b. Jolene Wittman, Chief Jarred Gerl explained that Jolene already is a licensed RN in the emergency department. She also is a nursing instructor with a strong knowledge base. The Village will have no need to send her out for additional training. Motion made by Jeff Vandenboogard, seconded by Kevin Rolain to appoint Jolene Wittman to Harrison EMS. Motion carried 4-0.
 - c. Brendon Hartjes, Chief Jarred Gerl feels that Brendon would be a good fit for Harrison Fire. He felt like Brendon could be a long term hire for the department. Brendon will need to take his firefighter I training. A motion was made by Mike Pompas and seconded by Chad Moder to appoint Brendon Hartjes to the Harrison Fire Department. Motion carried 5-0.
 - d. Alec Hopfensperger, Chief Jarred Gerl explained that Alec’s father is a respected member of the department operating out of station 60. Alec has already registered for the Fire Science program at Fox Valley Technical College. A motion was made by Kevin Rolain and seconded by Mike Pompas to appoint Alec Hopfensperger to the Harrison Fire Department. Motion carried 5-0.
 - e. Corey Fellner, Chief Jarred Gerl explained that Corey has been looking to join the department for some time. He has his Basic first aid and CPR qualification through Gold Cross. Corey will need to take Firefighter I. A motion was made by Jeff Vandenboogard,

and seconded by Mike Pompas to appoint Corey Fellner to the Harrison Fire Department. Motion carried 5-0.

- f. Joseph Tenor, Chief Jarred Gerl explained that Joseph currently works as a Deputy Sheriff for Calumet County. Joseph has taken some firefighting classes at Northwest Technical College but will need to finish his training. The Sheriff's office has requested that Joseph wait until after the Covid-19 situation eases before he begins his time with the department. A motion was made by Kevin Rolain, and seconded by Mike Pompas to appoint Joseph Tenor to the Harrison Fire Department. Motion carried 5-0.
8. Adjournment- Motion by Mike Pompas, seconded by Kevin Rolain to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0