

**STANWOOD
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
June 27, 2019**

Location:

The Public Safety Committee meeting was held at the Stanwood School District Administration Building (26920 Pioneer Hwy). Started at 1840 hours.

Attendance:

City Council Members – Tim Pearce, Elizabeth Callaghan
Police Chief – Norm Link
Fire Chief-John Cermak

**Agenda Topics: Stanwood Police Department Update
 North County Fire Community Resource Paramedic**

Stanwood Police Department Update

Chief Link provided a general police department update for the committee members. Call loads and crime rates for most crimes have seen a significant decrease in 2018. At the time of the mayor's state of the city address to the chamber of commerce, the city had experienced a 26% decrease in burglaries, a 33% decrease in vehicle thefts, and a 31% drop in thefts. Front office staff have seen an increase in workload due to gun permit applications and public disclosure request.

North County Fire-Community Resource Paramedic Program

Chief Cermak gave an update on the North County Fire community resource paramedic program. This position has been hired and filled by Darren Reid. He is currently getting all the necessary certifications and will hopefully be completely ready to go by October. The fire department will be conducting the necessary inspections of the fireworks stands in the city this week. Chief Cermak also

advised that they are purchasing two new fire trucks and getting two new ambulances to upgrade their fleet. The fire commission board also voted to take a level lid lift proposition out to ballot.

The public safety committee meeting ended at approximately 1858hrs.