



## VILLAGE OF WHITEFISH BAY

### POLICE COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, January 7th, 2026

7:30 pm

WHITEFISH BAY VILLAGE HALL – **IN-PERSON**  
5300 North Marlborough Drive

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting held on October 27th, 2025
3. The Commission will convene into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute §19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility – specifically regarding Patrol Officer recruitment.
4. The Police Commission may reconvene into open session. The Commission reserves the right to take action on any topic discussed in Closed Session.
5. Adjournment

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Police Commission

Minutes of October 27<sup>th</sup> 2025 Meeting

The meeting was held in person at Whitefish Bay Village Hall. The public was given advance notice of the meeting, and the agenda was published online and elsewhere, as is customary. Members of the public were given the opportunity to participate by writing comments and submitting them in advance of the meeting, and by open invitation to appear in person to observe any aspects of the meeting held in open session.

Present in the meeting were Commissioners Harron, Gilpin, Gonzales, Garcia and Markson. In addition, Chief Whitaker was present throughout the meeting, in both open and closed session portions. We confirmed with the Village Manager that no written submissions were received by the public prior to our meeting.

Commission Chair Harron called the meeting to order at approximately 7:02 P.M.

The meeting minutes from September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 were considered and reviewed. Commissioner Gilpin moved to approve the minutes, and Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion. The motion to approve carried 5-0, and the Commission's meeting minutes from September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 were thereby approved.

Commissioner Gonzales moved to convene into closed session pursuant to Wi Stats. Section 19.85.(1)(c) to consider interviews and confidential employment matters or other appropriate issues governed by this statutory provision. Commissioner Markson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0, and the meeting was closed to the public at approximately 7:22 P.M.

The Commission continued in closed session to attend to matters concerning the recruitment of officer candidates and a variety of other ongoing personnel and other efforts in this regard. Police Chief Whitaker participated extensively in the closed session meeting to update the Commission concerning the measures being undertaken to recruit and test officer candidates, as well as to update the Commission generally regarding personnel needs. Following candidate interviews and extensive follow up discussions, Commissioner Gilpin moved to reconvene into open session to continue the meeting. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0, and the meeting was re-opened to the public at approximately 8:54 P.M. Whereupon, the doors to the meeting room were reopened, so any members of the public wishing to join could do so.

In open session, Commissioner Markson moved to certify two individuals as eligible for appointment to the position of patrol officer, at the timing discretion of the Chief of Police, following satisfaction of several conditions. These two individuals are named Madeline Ohm and Grady Cashin. Commissioner Garcia seconded the notion to approve the two candidates. The Commission voted 5-0 to approve the motion, and it was thereby adopted. Chief Whitaker informed us the hiring process would likely proceed quickly, as several conditions were already in place, including completion by both candidates of the Police Academy training. As well, one individual-Ms. Ohm is currently an experienced police

officer working in another jurisdiction in SE Wisconsin. Therefore, no Police Academy training period is required for either candidate.

In open session, there being no other scheduled business, Commissioner Gilpin moved to adjourn. Commissioner Markson seconded the motion, which carried 5-0. We stood adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

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