

**REQUEST TO POST
NOMINATIONS FOR FIRE
MERIT COMMISSION**

The Michigan City Fire Department is requesting the approval to post nominations at each fire station from November 4th, 2024 through November 18th, 2024, for the election of a new member to the Fire Merit Commission to replace Michael Neuileb, who's term ended on October 31, 2024.

**SPECIAL PURCHASE
REQUEST**

The Michigan City Police Department is requesting to purchase 30 additional Flock Cameras to add to their existing system for a total amount of \$180,000 for two (2) years. The funding for the purchase will be coming from the Cops Technology Grant.

<https://tinyurl.com/hjzmudkh>

CORRESPONDANCE

EPA has begun cleanup, starting on October 21, 2024, at the former Sandusky Chicago Abrasives Wheel Company, located at 1100 W Barker Ave., and is expected to take two (2) to four (4) months to complete.

<https://tinyurl.com/y8c8n45c>

CORRESPONDANCE

Amtrak has formally filed a petition requesting exemption from the City's noise ordinance. The hearing will be held on Monday, November 18, 2024 at 2:30 p.m. (CST) in the Michigan City Council Chambers, and will be open to the public and any person may testify.

<https://tinyurl.com/38tu4kat>

Mrs. Moore made a motion to approve the requested time to post nominations, seconded by Mr. Simmons and was approved with the following vote:

AYES: (5) Antisdel, Moore, Smith, Simmons, York

NAYS: (0) None

Special Purchase Request

The Michigan City Police Department requested to purchase 30 additional Flock Cameras to add to their existing system for a total amount of \$180,000 for two (2) years. The funding for the purchase will be coming from the COPS Technology Grant.

Chief Marty Corley, Michigan City Police Department, addressed the Board explaining the purchasing of the flock cameras through the COPS Grant; stating that the flock company is discounting their professional installation services fee. He also explained that the new flock cameras are to fill in the gaps within the City to help with investigations and identifying crime.

Mr. Simmons stated that the Public and City should welcome the enhancement of Public Safety for the City with the cameras.

Chief Corley stated that they had started the process last year with Congressman Frank Mrvan on getting the funds appropriated for the cameras.

Mrs. Moore asked what happens at the end of the two-year period for funding and if the cost would go up.

Chief Corley stated that they would either apply for another grant or the City would encumber the costs and that the price would not go up.

Scott Meland, 200 Kenwood Place, made a comment.

Chief Corley stated that the flock cameras are not constantly surveilling the public and that they must have a specific reason into looking at the data the cameras receive; further stating that the COPS Grant was written for only new technology and not existing technology.

Mrs. Smith explained that the Controller's Office and Chief Corley had spoken about the grant and that the City is looking for alternative funds once the two-years are up for the COPS Grant; further stating that the Controllers Office, the Mayor and the Police Department believe that it's a good opportunity for the City.

Mr. Simmons made a motion to approve the special purchase request, seconded by Mrs. Smith and was approved with the following vote:

AYES: (5) Antisdel, Moore, Smith, Simmons, York

NAYS: (0) None