

## Chapter 2.36

### BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

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#### **2.36.010** Commissioners—Appointment—Term.

The city shall have a board of police and fire commissioners consisting of five citizens, three of whom shall constitute a quorum. The mayor shall annually, between the last Monday of April and the first Monday of May, appoint in writing one member for a term of five years. Such appointment is subject to confirmation by the common council, and upon confirmation of that appointment by the common council, such appointment shall be filed with the secretary of the board. Whenever any other vacancies arise on the board, such vacancies shall be filled by written appointment by the mayor, with such appointments being subject to confirmation by the common council. No appointment shall be made which will result in more than three members of the board belonging to the same political party. The board shall keep a record of its proceedings. (Ord. 26, 1978; Ord. A-79 (part), 1972; prior code § 2.16(1))

#### **2.36.020** Fire and police chiefs—Appointment—Term—Vacancy filling.

The board shall appoint the chief of police and the chief of the fire department, who shall hold their offices during good behavior, subject to suspension or removal by the board for cause. Upon occurrence of a vacancy in the office of chief, the ranking officer of the department shall perform the duties of the chief until such vacancy is filled. The fire chief shall by virtue of his office hold the office of fire inspector. (Ord. A-79 (part), 1972; prior code § 2.16(2))

#### **2.36.030** Compliance with state statutes required.

The city shall follow all provisions of Wisconsin Statutes Section 62.13 (1989-90 and as subsequently amend and/or renumbered by the Wisconsin Legislature) regarding police and fire departments, except subsection 62.13(6) regarding optional powers of the board. The board of fire and police commissioners shall have those optional powers only if the electors of the city adopt said optional powers pursuant to the procedures set forth in said subsection. (Ord. 6L-91 (part), 1991; Ord. A-126, 1976; Ord. A-79 (part), 1972; prior code § 2.16(3))