

FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Beloit Fire Welcomes 6 Probationary Firefighters

October 19, 2022 - The City of Beloit Fire Department is proud to welcome six probationary firefighters to the community. All six firefighters will be sworn in during a brief ceremony at 2pm Friday, October 21, at Beloit Fire Department Headquarters, 1111 Church St., Beloit.

The six firefighters started three weeks of training with our department on October 3. They will continue to receive hands-on training throughout their shifts and career.

The firefighters are:

Kathy Anderson: Kathy is a certified Firefighter/Paramedic with the State of Wisconsin. She comes from University of Wisconsin where she worked as a medical communications specialist and Dane County Medical Examiner's Office where she worked part time as a medicolegal investigator. In addition to attending a 200-hour firefighter recruit academy, Kathy's certifications include PADI Open Water, Firefighter I, MPO, Domestic Preparedness, Crisis Intervention, and Critical Incident Dispatch Training.

Jeremiah Brensinger: Jeremiah is certified as a Firefighter/Paramedic with the State of Wisconsin. Jeremiah is currently attending Gateway Technical College in Elkhorn, Wisconsin. Jeremiah's certifications include Ice Rescue, Swift Water Rescue, MPO, Firefighter I & II, Fire Instructor and Fire Officer I. Jeremiah also worked part time at Clinton, Elkhorn, and Edgerton fire departments.

Jerek Clifford: Jerek is certified as a Firefighter/EMT-B with the State of Wisconsin. Jerek has an associate degree in fire science. Jerek is currently attending paramedic school in Madison. Jerek's certifications include Firefighter I, Haz Mat Operations, Ice Rescue, Fire Protection Technician, ACLS, and PALS. Jerek worked part time at Edgerton Fire Protection District.

Kailey Hessler: Kailey is certified as a Firefighter/Paramedic with the State of Wisconsin. Kailey has an associate degree in fire science and certificates in Firefighter 1 and II,

Paramedic, Hazardous Materials Operations. Kailey worked part-time at Edgerton and Orfordville fire departments.

Max Rude: Max is certified as a Firefighter/Paramedic with the State of Illinois. Max has an associate degree in education and has certificates for Paramedic, Basis Operating Firefighter, and Fire Fighting II from Illinois. Max worked as a full-time firefighter in South Beloit.

Mariah Starr: Mariah is certified as a Firefighter/EMT with the State of Wisconsin. Mariah has a bachelor's degree in biology/chemistry and certifications for MPO and Firefighter I. Mariah previously worked for an ambulance company and worked for the Bristol Fire Department.

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