

City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown

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Regular Meeting

CITY OF WEST HAVEN FIRE COMMISSIONERS ALLINGTOWN

Board of Fire Commissioners

January 2, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

City Hall

355 Main Street, West Haven, CT

AGENDA

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of December 5, 2017 meeting minutes.
4. Public Session
5. Finance
Invoices
6. Communications
7. Report of Chief
8. Report of Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal
9. Old Business
Approval of the hiring of entry level candidates
Parkview Commons Project
Roof leak at Headquarters
10. New Business
11. Executive Session.
Vacation and Sick Time
Personnel Issues

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CITY OF WEST HAVEN FIRE DEPARTMENT ALLINGTOWN
January 2, 2018
Minutes

A Meeting of the City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown was held on Wednesday, January 2, 2018 at City Hall, 355 Main Street, West Haven, CT.

Present were Commissioners Iris Diaz, Andrea Palumbo, John Panza, Frederick Brown, and Aaron Haley. Also present was Chief Landisio and Deputy Chief Esposito.

Commissioner Panza called the meeting to order at 6:39 pm.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

Business Manager Brooks called the roll and declared a quorum. Commissioners Lathrop and Pimer were absent. Commissioner Panza had Commissioner Brown set in for Commissioner Lathrop.

3. Approval of December 5, 2017 meeting minutes.

Commissioner Palumbo made a motion to approve the minutes for the December 5, 2017 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Diaz and approved unanimously.

4. Public Session

Anthony Krzeminski of 1 Robart Street, West Haven, CT asked the board if they had any more information about the hiring of a police officer for their meeting.

Margaret Krzeminski, 1 Robart Street, West Haven, CT addressed the board regarding the paying attention to whoever is speaking or asking questions. I have the same interest as Anthony about the hired police officer. Chief Landisio replied that he checked into this and the officer that was hired was hired through the Mayor's office with the request of the board. He had been paid through the City. After I spoke to the finance director it was established that this needed to be charged to the Allingtown Fire District. He assured me that it would be done. Margaret spoke on the hiring of the Chief and stated that some of the retired chiefs get half of whatever the new chief is being paid. She also spoke about the roof having missing tiles and that the Chairman should have the knowledge of the repair and if it has been fixed. She then mentioned the hiring of the new Chief and that she felt it was not done properly. City Council was left out. Commissioner Panza explained that we did what was within our regulations and it was up to the board to hire the Chief.

John Carew of 44 Carlson Road, West Haven, CT stated that a few months ago there was talk of getting a new fire station. He just wanted to know if there were any updates on this issue. Commissioner Panza replied with the new administration we have not gone any further with this issue. We will keep you informed of any developments.

Louis Esposito of 56 Lakeview Avenue, West Haven, CT spoke about the retired Chiefs getting half of the pay that the new Chief is receiving. He added that Debbie Brooks has been here for years and is versed with the past contracts and knows how the raises are distributed. Louis looked at the paper work from the roof repair and the roof quotes from last year when the roof issue was brought to the board. You spent about \$1,400.00 to patch the roof and now it's leaking again. It would have been more cost effective if you replaced the side that needed replacing. You would now be done with it. Brief discussion followed. Is this something that you plan on taking care of? Commissioner Panza replied that we need to go over the problem with the roof. Louis asked if they knew the dollar amount that was paid to the police officer who was assigned to the meeting in October.

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Commissioner Panza did not know how much it was for. Louis asked about the new hires. Commissioner Panza explained that it would have to be discussed in executive session.

Peter Massaro of 8 Chris Jon Circle, West Haven, CT explained that when the fire department became part of the city the fire department was supposed to continue to take care of our own repairs.

Commissioner Palumbo made a motion to close Public Session, seconded by Commissioner Lathrop and approved unanimously.

5. Finance: Reviewed the list of invoices that have been processed. Commissioner Palumbo made a motion to accept the list as presented, seconded by Commissioner Diaz and approve unanimously.
6. Communications: None
7. Report of the Chief: Chief Landisio gave a verbal and written report. Written report will be kept on file.
8. Report of Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal: Deputy Chief Esposito gave a verbal and written report. Written report will be kept on file.
9. Old Business:
 - Approval of the hiring of entry level recipients would be discussed in executive session.

Parkview Commons Project - Deputy Chief Esposito explained that there was only part of one building standing and would probably be down by the end of the week. There is an issue with a drain pipe going through the property that has to be moved but this is being addressed.

Roof leak at Headquarters-Deputy Chief Esposito explained that there are shingles missing from the roof. The repair was just a patch job and one side of the roof needs to be replaced. We will have to go up there again and look at it.

10. New Business: None

A motion was presented to close Regular Session at 7:45 p.m. and go into Executive Session by Commissioner Palumbo, seconded by Commissioner Diaz and approved unanimously.

A motion was presented to conclude Executive Session and return into Regular Session at 8:47 p.m. by Commissioner Palumbo, seconded by Commissioner Diaz and approved unanimously. After having a brief discussion about the hiring of entry level candidates, we had been asked by the City of West Haven administration to hire only one candidate at this time. We will honor this request by hiring only one candidate now. Commissioner Panza made a motion that we hire the number two candidate on the list as the number one candidate doesn't meet all the criteria that was requested, if the number two candidate doesn't work out then Chief Landisio has the authority to go to the number three candidate on the list, seconded by Commissioner Palumbo and approved unanimously.

A motion was presented to adjourn by Commissioner Palumbo, seconded by Commissioner Diaz and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m. X

All minutes are subject to the final approval of the City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown Commissioners.

Minutes recorded by Business Manager Brooks

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