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CITY OF WEST HAVEN FIRE COMMISSIONERS ALLINGTOWN

Board of Fire Commissioners

February 1 ~~January 4~~, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
20 Admiral Street, West Haven, CT
2nd Floor Conference Room

AGENDA

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of January 4, 2022 meeting minutes.
4. Public Session:
5. Finance
Invoices
Budget
6. Communications
7. Report of Chief
8. Report of Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal
9. Old Business
Headquarters Issues
Firehouse Study
Testing
Entry Level Consortium
New Firehouse Property
New Fire Truck
SCBA Bottle Fill Compressor
10. New Business

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11. Executive Session.

Vacation and Sick Time
Personnel Issues

CITY OF WEST HAVEN FIRE DEPARTMENT ALLINGTOWN
February 1, 2022
Minutes

A meeting of the City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown was held on Tuesday, February 1, 2022.

Present were Commissioners Iris Diaz, Troy Tappin, Paul Sikorski and Frederick Brown. Also present was Chief Terenzio, Deputy Chief Esposito.

Commissioner Diaz called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

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- 1. Pledge of Allegiance

- 2. Roll Call

Business Manager Brooks called the roll and declared a quorum.

- 3. Approval of January 4, 2022 meeting minutes.

Commissioner Tappin made a motion to accept the minutes from January 4, 2022 meeting with one correction; under New Business, Commissioner Brown had made a few comments that he wanted on record, he was opposed to the sale of 38-year-old 1984 Mack pumper. Chief Terenzio explained that due to the federal grant monies being received for its replacement, we were required to no longer utilize if for active or reserve service. Additionally, the limited available space in addition to the antique pumper presently being housed is not fiscally being responsible. Commissioner Brown went on record stating that he wants nothing to do with the new Engine 3 and he doesn't want his name on the plaque. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sikorski and approved unanimously.

- 4. Public Session None

- 5. Finance: Reviewed and accepted the list of processed invoices for January. There was a brief conversation about getting the P.O.'s in a timely manner. We are still having some problems with the PO's but we are working on it.

Budget-Business Manager Brooks explained that the requested changes were made that were suggested to her at the budget workshop. She asked if there were any more questions or concerns about the budget for FY 2022-2023. A brief discussion followed. Commissioner Brown made a motion to accept the budget as presented and to forward it to the finance director, seconded by Commissioner Tappin and approved unanimously.

- 6. Communications: None

- 7. Report of the Chief: Chief Terenzio gave verbal and written report for January which will be kept on file. Chief Terenzio gave an update on a grievance that was filed by Local 1198 over a recent City of West Haven testing mandate issued by the Mayor on January 10, 2022 requiring non-vaccinated staff to be tested on a weekly basis. The grievance was denied by the Chief at Step I level, and has moved to Step II. Chief Terenzio gave a brief update on the grants progress. He explained that the AFG has been submitted. This is the city-wide grant for the replacement of the current 12-year-old analogue two-way radio equipment. The SAFER Grant will be submitted this week.

He explained that through Deputy Chief Esposito's diligence we were able to locate and procure the scarce part needed to repair the SCBA bottle fill compressor. We are waiting for the part to come in so we can get it repaired. This will save us a lot of money.

8. Report of Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal: Deputy Chief Esposito gave verbal and written reports for January. Written reports will be kept on file. Deputy Chief Esposito gave a brief update on the month of his fires, plans received and inspections that were done.
9. Old Business: Headquarters Issues- Chief Terenzio explained that it remains the same.
Firehouse Study – Chief Esposito explained that it looks like UNH is still interested. We are going to meet with them in a few weeks. There's another piece of property that is being looked at. Chief Esposito said that we need to get everyone on board with this project in order to move it forward. We really need a new station.
Testing-Entry Level Consortium: Chief Terenzio stated that there are about 120 applications in to test. Still only a few paramedics. Brief conversation followed.
New Fire Truck-Deputy Chief Esposito said it under way.
SCBA Bottle Fill Compressor-Chief Terenzio reported above.

New Business: None

10. A motion was made to close regular session at 7:49 pm and go into executive session by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Tappin and approved unanimously.

A motion was presented to close executive session at 8:02 pm and resume regular session by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Sikorski and approved unanimously.

Commissioner Brown stated that Toni Paine passed. He expressed what a great loss this is to West Haven. She was involved in many things over the years for the betterment of the city.

Commissioner Brown asked Commissioner Diaz if his questions that he had sent were answered at the Tri-District meeting. Commissioner Diaz said that they were. A brief discussion on this matter followed.

Deputy Chief Esposito had an involved discussion about the possibility of hiring a superintendent of apparatus in the future. It's something that we need to think about. The cost that are accruing from the repairs have been quite high. Business Manager Brooks explained that she is working on a financial study of the past couple of years to give the board a better look at this. Commissioner Diaz replied that we should bring the study back to the board and then we can see if it's feasible to move forward with this. Deputy Chief Esposito added that this is just the beginning of this item and of course we would have to talk to the union about it as well.

A motion was presented to adjourn by Commissioner Tappin, seconded by Commissioner Diaz and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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

Minutes recorded by Business Manager Brooks