

City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown

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Regular Meeting
CITY OF WEST HAVEN FIRE COMMISSIONERS ALLINGTOWN
Board of Fire Commissioners
May 1, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.
City Hall
355 Main Street, West Haven, CT

AGENDA

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of April 3, 2018 meeting minutes.
4. Public Session
5. Finance
Invoices
6. Communications
7. Report of Chief
8. Report of Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal
9. Old Business
Parkview Commons Project
10. New Business
Budget FY 2019
Minor Park repairs due to flooding
Chief's Position
11. Executive Session.
Vacation and Sick Time
Personnel Issues

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CITY OF WEST HAVEN FIRE DEPARTMENT ALLINGTOWN
May 1, 2018
Minutes

A Meeting of the City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown was held on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at City Hall, 355 Main Street, West Haven, CT.

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

Commissioner Panza called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Roll Call
Business Manager Brooks called the roll and declared a quorum.

Approval of April 3, 2018 meeting minutes. Tabled until next meeting.

- 3. Public Session
Margaret Krzeminski of 1 Robart Street, West Haven, CT stated that there needs to be a correction to the minutes for the April 3, 2018 meeting. When she asked about the meeting being cancelled she had said the March 6, 2018 meeting. She wants the actual date added to the minutes. Commissioner Panza said that we can look at the minutes from March. Margaret mentioned that there is no Chief at this time. Commissioner Panza replied we are in the process of talking about hiring a new one; do you think we should have one in place? Margaret asked about the damage at the Minor Park station. She said that she saw there was a roofer there one day when she went by. Commissioner Panza responded that there was a good amount of damage and I believe it is progressing well. We don't have anything to do with the repairs. The city is handling it. Deputy Chief Esposito may have a little information on it that we can touch on it in your report. Deputy Chief Esposito added that we didn't get any damage at Headquarters but there are some things that need to be done. We went before the City Council last week and we stated our case but some funds have been cut out of our budget. They cut a lot of money out of our repairs to the building.

Anthony Krzeminski of 1 Robart Street, West Haven, CT stated that as far as the way you want us to address you with our questions; I think it's a waste of time. We had a commissioner who used to have us write them down and submit them. We would get an answer a week later and that didn't work out to well either. So you just want to aggravate the taxpayers so I don't have any questions. I'm just not as smart as you. So you run the meeting the way you want. Commissioner Panza replied thank you.

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

- 4. Finance: Reviewed the list of invoices that have been processed.
- 5. Communications: None
- 6. Report of the Chief: None
- 7. Report of Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal: Deputy Chief Esposito gave a verbal and written report. Written report will be kept on file.

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8. Old Business: Parkview Commons Project – Deputy Chief Esposito explained that they had to replan the moving of the drain pipe due to a utility pole.

9. New Business: Commissioner Brown thanked Glenn Conlan for his many years of service. He was an outstanding firefighter.

Commissioner Brown stated that the minutes that were in question were from a meeting in October that were approved in February. I was not in attendance for the entire meeting therefore I didn't want to vote on passing the minutes.

Commissioner Brown wanted to announce that there is a Pension Meeting next Tuesday, May 8th at 6 pm.

Commissioner Pimer stated that he was confused on why the minutes were not approved. He went on to explain that he lost a nights pay because of the democratic town committee. I am upset that meetings are cancelled or called, special or otherwise and I am not notified in a timely manner so I can change my schedule accordingly. Nobody called and told me that Chief Landisio resigned or that there was water damage to the Minor Park station. There is a lack of communication with this board. I phoned the Mayor and told her to replace me. She has not gotten anyone to do that so I will stay until she does.

There was a brief discussion about the Budget for 2018-2019. We don't know what will happen. The MARB has the say.

Deputy Chief Esposito explained where we are with the repairs to Minor Park station. He feels we could be back in within a week or two. He also commended the men for helping to get Minor Park shut down and the majority of the computers and electronics moved out with no damage. They helped move out of the station in about four to six hours.

Chairman Panza spoke about the Chief's position stating that the board had received an email from the Mayor. He would like to sit down with the Mayor and a few board members to discuss what they are to do from here. We have a possible meeting for May 9, 2018.

Deputy Chief Esposito announced that the Memorial Day Parade was scheduled for May 28, 2018.

A motion was presented to close Regular Session at 7:58 p.m. and go into Executive Session by Commissioner Palumbo, seconded by Commissioner Lathrop and approved unanimously.

A motion was presented to conclude Executive Session and return into Regular Session at 8:30 p.m. by Commissioner Palumbo, seconded by Commissioner Lathrop and approved unanimously.

A motion was presented to adjourn by Commissioner Palumbo, seconded by Commissioner Lathrop and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 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