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SPECIAL MEETING CITY OF WEST HAVEN FIRE COMMISSIONERS ALLINGTOWN

Board of Fire Commissioners
September 30, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.
Conference Room, 2 nd Floor
20 Admiral Street, West Haven, CT

AGENDA

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Discussion of the coverage for the Acting Chief
4. Adjournment

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A Special Meeting of the City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown was held on Tuesday, September 30, 2020.

Present were Commissioners Diaz, Brown, Sikorski, Corcoran and Tappan.

Commissioner Diaz called the meeting to order at 5.33 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

Business Manager Brooks called the roll call and declared a quorum. Absent were Commissioners Nunley and Palumbo.

Commissioner Diaz thanked Mayor Rossi, Louis Esposito, Thomas McCarthy and the council members that were present for attending this evening.

3. A brief discussion was held about the coverage and help for the Acting Chief. Commissioner Diaz gave a brief report on Acting Chief Esposito's situation. She said that she hopes he will be back with us soon. While he is out it was decided to have Chief Peter Massaro step in for a term of 90 days if needed for that period of time. Mayor Rossi presented an agreement to the board for Chief Peter Massaro. The board reviewed the agreement and agreed that this would be the best for the department at this time. A motion was made by Commissioner Brown to accept the agreement as written, seconded by Commissioner Sikorski and approved unanimously.

Councilwoman Robbin Hamilton expressed payers for Acting Chief Esposito that he get well and returns soon. Robbin thanked Peter for stepping in on behalf of the two districts in Allingtown. We are very fortunate that you are available and that you are willing to do this. Thank you.

Chief Peter Massaro stated that the city is in a jam and Mike is a close friend of mine and I didn't want to see this happen. I'm hoping that he comes back sooner than 90 days. In the meantime we have interviews for a new Chief, which I will also help them through the transition. I'm here to keep the department running as it did



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before and as Michael run it also. There are a few loose ends that he cannot do while he is out that I will pick up. I'll be talking to Debbie. I will also be talking to the other two Chiefs. We do have a Deputy Fire Marshal and just to let you know I have reached out to Chris Reed. He said if we need any help, he would be glad to help us out. I just want to thank everybody and I won't let you down. Commissioner Diaz thanked him and stated that she was glad that he is on board with us.

Mayor Nancy Rossi just wanted to add that she thanks Chief Massaro for stepping up. It's very important that when Chief Esposito gets home he gets rested so he can get back to work. I'm pretty sure he feels comfortable that we are covered now. I have talked with Chief O'Brien and he said that Chief Scafariello and he would assist us at this time. We just have to reach out and let them know if and when we need any help. I want to extend that out to the commissioners as well. Commissioner Diaz thanked Mayor Rossi.

Commissioner Frederick Brown stated that when he first sat here on the board that he couldn't think of two fire people better to run the fire department than you and Chris Reed and now I sit here saying I can't think of three fire people better to run the department, you, Chris Reed and Michael Esposito. What a wonderful job Michael has been doing. Thank you very much for taking this position. Commissioner Diaz thanked Commissioner Brown.

Commissioner Diaz asked Mayor Rossi if she would like to swear Chief Massaro in. Mayor Rossi said she would. Chief Massaro was sworn in for the temporary position of Chief for the City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown.

A motion was presented to adjourn by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Tappan and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:47 pm.

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