

City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown

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CITY OF WEST HAVEN FIRE COMMISSIONERS ALLINGTOWN

Board of Fire Commissioners

August 3, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Via Zoom

No Public Session

(Your input is greatly appreciated; feel free to email the board with any questions or concerns)

AGENDA

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of July 6, 2021 meeting minutes.
4. Public Session: None
5. Finance
Invoices
6. Communications
7. Report of Chief
8. Report of Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal
9. Old Business
Headquarters Issues
Firehouse Study
SAFER Grant (Safer for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response)
Testing
10. New Business
Discussion and Vote on New Firehouse Property
11. Executive Session.
Vacation and Sick Time
Personnel Issues

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 Minutes

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A Meeting of the City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown was held on Tuesday, August 3, 2021.

Present were Commissioners Nunley, Troy Tappin, Paul Sikorski, Andrea Palumbo, Kevin Corcoran and Frederick Brown. Also present was Chief Terenzio, Deputy Chief Esposito.

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Commissioner Nunley called the meeting to order at 6:52 pm.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

Business Manager Brooks called the roll and declared a quorum.

3. Approval of July 6, 2021 meeting minutes.

Commissioner Nunley made a motion to accept the minutes from July 6, 2021 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Tappin and approved unanimously.

4. Public Session NONE

Commissioner Nunley stated that if we have to continue holding our meetings practicing social distancing then we would accept any comments or questions from the public. They can email them to us and they can also call the office during business hours with any concerns.

5. Finance: Reviewed and accepted the list of processed invoices for July.

6. Communications: Deputy Chief Esposito announced the West Haven Professional Firefighters Local 1198 Annual Picnic that will be held on August 21, 2021 from 8 am. To 3 pm. It will be at the Polish American Club, 194 W. Spring Street, West Haven, CT 06516.

Chief Terenzio stated that he had gotten a letter from an individual who was at the fire on Admiral Street on July 1, 2021. This individual noticed the smoke and banged on doors to help get everyone out of the building. He spoke to me at the scene also. It was asked if there was any award or reward for doing this. I explained that we would need to have some kind of letter from anyone who had witnessed this act of heroism. At this time, we are looking into it.

Commissioner Brown asked if the department was going to participate in the Milford Muster. Deputy Chief Esposito replied that the Muster had been cancelled. However, we are trying to put a small muster together with our department and Orange's Department. We are looking to have this on 10/17/2021. More information will follow as we get closer to the event.

7. Report of the Chief: Chief Terenzio gave verbal and written report for July which will be kept on file.

Chief Terenzio explained that he is looking into a temporary annex for Minor Park. This would be used to house the new Car 6 and possibly the Rescue unit. He will work on getting all the information together that's involved in putting up such a structure and prepare a report for the commission.

There was a brief conversation on the purchase of the new truck. At this time, we have to wait for the RFP's to be returned. They are due on August 12, 2021. When we get them, we will meet and go over them with the board so a discussion can be made to move forward with the truck purchase.

8. Report of Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal: Deputy Chief Esposito gave verbal and written reports for July. Written reports will be kept on file.
9. Old Business: Headquarters Issues- Deputy Chief Esposito spoke about the fact that if we have to move out of here, we need to be informed. There's a lot of stuff that needs to be stored. It's not fiscally sound to keep repairing this building if in a short period of time we have to move.

Firehouse Study – Deputy Chief Esposito explained that there was a meeting with UNH on July 14, 2021. Commissioner Nunley was in attendance with the Chief and myself. UNH has decided that they are not going to participate in the new building. They have several other projects going at this time. We have spoken to Representative DiMassa and Representative Rochelle (who is willing to help us secure funds for the station and has some project management knowledge). Councilwomen Hamilton is being kept informed and is willing to help in anyway that she can. Councilman Donovan is assisting us in acquiring a suitable building site. I sent you the rough draft of 668 Boston Post Road. According to Bob Mitchell this is the best suited site for our needs at this time. We are still looking into other properties. We need to continue moving on this project.

SAFER Grant (Safer for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response) – Chief Terenzio explained that we waiting to hear if we got it.

Testing-Entry Level -Deputy Chief Esposito explained that he and the Chief had a meeting with a representative from McCann Associates. We have the skills and ability part of the test done. They are putting together the reading list. This will probably take a few weeks. Then we have to allow 90 days of reading time. That will bring us close to November for the actual test.

10. New Business: Discussion and Vote on New Firehouse Property-Brief discussion followed on property sites. The 668 Boston Post Road property will need to be tested for any contamination and how we would acquire the property if it was chosen for the best site. A motion was made to get 668 Boston Post Road checked for contamination and continue finding out what the process would be to purchase this property or any other properties that would be suitable for this, seconded by Commissioner Tappin. Commissioner Tappin asked if the Chiefs could put together a list of properties that are being looked at for the next meeting. Chief Terenzio replied that he would get that done.

A motion was made to close regular session at 8:04 pm and go into executive session by Commissioner Palumbo, seconded by Commissioner Tappin and approved unanimously.

A motion was presented to close executive session at 8:23 pm and resume regular session by Commissioner Palumbo, seconded by Commissioner Sikorski and approved unanimously.

A motion was presented to adjourn by Commissioner Palumbo, seconded by Commissioner Tappin and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

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

Minutes recorded by Business Manager Brooks