

WILTON FIRE COMMISSION

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Minutes of July 11, 2018

Fire Commission Regular Meeting

Present: Commissioners J. Casey Healy, Ross Tartell and Christopher Weldon (at 0811 hours).

Others: Chief Ronald E. Kanterman, Deputy Chief Mark Amatrudo, Fire Marshal Rocco Grosso, Deputy Fire Marshal Kevin Plank, Lieutenants Jeff Locher and Bill Sampson, Firefighters Glenn Johnson (at 0825 hours) and Don Scarpetti and Apparatus Supervisor Ricky Petrizzi

A. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at approximately 0802 hours.

B. Approval of Meeting Minutes: Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the Fire Commission's June 13, and June 20, 2018 special meeting's were approved 2-0 (Commissioners Healy and Tartell).

C. Public Comment: None.

D. Monthly Reports:

- a. **Chief's Report:** The Commission reviewed and discussed the Chief's Report dated July 2018.
- b. **Deputy Chief's Report:** The Commission reviewed and discussed the Deputy Chief's Report dated July 8, 2018.
- c. **Fire Marshal Report:** The Commission reviewed and discussed the Fire Marshal's June 2018 Report. Progress continues to be made on completion of the Fire Marshal's inspections.

E. Old Business:

- a. **Wilton Dispatch:** Commissioner Weldon advised that the dispatch training was well attended. Chief Kanterman advised that concentration on Structure Fire Dispatching should be considered, and in anticipation of this training, a mock dispatch would be set up with a two way radio to show all attending the training how to move through the dispatch procedures.

- b. **Department Goals and Objectives for 2018:** Chief Kanterman handed out and provided an overview of his third draft of Department Goals and Objectives for 2018. The Commission will review the draft and discuss it at their next monthly meeting.
- c. **Participation in the 2018 FF Testing Consortium:** Tabled until the next monthly Fire Commission Meeting.
- d. **Station 2 Update:** Commissioner Healy advised that he had met with First Selectwoman Vanderslice and Station 2 Building Committee Chairman Rich McCarty. The consensus of that meeting was that the Fire Commission should meet with the Board of Selectmen in order to update the Board on the Building Committee's recommendation and to seek direction from the Board regarding the Statement of Requirements for Station 2. Commissioner Healy agreed to speak to Mrs. Vanderslice regarding a meeting date.


F. New Business:

- a. **Contract Extension for Chief Kanterman:** Commissioner Healy reported that the Chief's employment contract expires on November 1, 2018. Chief Kanterman's request that the contract be renewed for three years was not granted. Commissioner Healy also advised the Commission that he had discussed with the Chief extending the contract to June 30, 2019. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen that the Board extend the Chief's contract from November 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.
- b. **Captain Promotional Exam:** Commissioner Healy will discuss with Director, Human Resources, Labor Relations & Administrative Services Sarah Taffel commencing the promotional process for a replacement for recently retired Captain Jim Gies. Mr. Healy will discuss whether to hire RMA Associates to conduct the promotional test; noting that RMA has conducted the last 4 or 5 promotional exams. Discussion took place regarding whether the open firefighter position created by Captain Gies retirement should be filled in time to send a candidate to the next Firefighter Class at the CT Fire Academy that will begin in late August. Commissioner Healy will discuss with Ms. Taffel.

G. Public Comment: Commissioner Healy extended his and the Commission thanks to newly retired Captain Jim Gies for 40 years of dedication and service to the Wilton Fire Department. The Commission noted that Captain Gies did a great job in his many years with the Department and; while they are sorry to see him retire, they wish him all the best in his new position as Fire Marshal of the Town of Naugatuck CT.

H. Adjournment: Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at approximately 0915 hours.

Respectfully submitted,



Catherine Horn
Recording Secretary