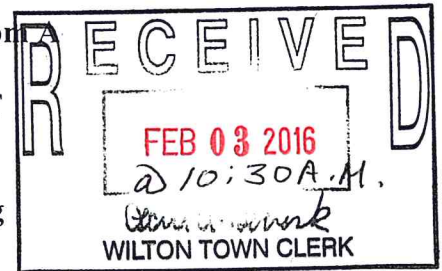


Wilton Fire Commission

Town Hall – Annex Meeting Room A
238 DANBURY ROAD
WILTON, CONNECTICUT
Town Hall– Room B

Minutes of Monthly Meeting

January 5, 2016



- Present:** Commissioner Ross Tartell and Commissioner J. Casey Healy. Commissioner Christopher Weldon notified the Commission that he would be out of town.
- Others:** Chief Ronald E. Kanterman, Deputy Chief Mark Amatrudo, Captains Kevin Czarnecki and Jim Geis, Lieutenant Bill Wilson, Firefighters, Brad Carlson, Dave Chaloux, Pat Garber, Glenn Johnson, Kevin Plank, John Edwards, Gary Fuoco and Apparatus Supervisor Ralph Nathanson
- A. Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 8:05 am.
- B. Approval of Minutes:** Upon motions duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Commission meeting held on December 1, 2015.
- C. Monthly Reports:**
1. **Chief's Report:** The Chief congratulated IAFF Local 2233 for managing the Toys-for-Tots campaign and the special holiday luncheon at Ogden House. The Chief's Monthly Report dated December 31, 2015 is attached. Highlights in the report included: (i) Distributed 2016 training program for the Department; (ii) Delivered a Responder Safety program to 40 CERT members; and, (iii) Conducted a property inspection with the Fire Marshal of the new Westport Day school at 372 Danbury Road.
 2. **Deputy Chief's Report:** The Deputy Chief's report dated January 4, 2016 is attached. Highlights in the report included: (i) Two significant incidents: a propane fire on 12/24, and a structure fire on 12/27. Total incidents for the month were 120. Call volume for 2015 showed a .7% increase over 2014 with a similar distribution to 2014 in response areas; (ii) 365 hours of training occurred during the month; (iii) The Personal Protective Equipment Inspections (PPE) process is now completed and Captain Blanchfield is developing lists of replacement PPE to be purchased; (v) Successfully tested the insertion of premises information into NexGen CAD software; and, (vi) One firefighter remains out on injury leave.
 3. **Fire Marshal's Report:** No Fire Marshal's report
 4. **Dive Team Report:** New trailer specifications are nearly finalized. When completed they will be submitted to the Deputy Chief.
 5. **Apparatus Supervisor's Report:** All apparatus in service.
- D. New Business:**
1. **Station 2 Building Committee:** Interviews of the three bidders (A&E firms) scheduled for December were moved to January.

2. **Fire Department Budget:** The budget will be reviewed by the Board of Selectman at their meeting on January 28, 2016.

E. **Old Business: Deputy Fire Marshal position** – Three members of the Department filed to take the DFM exam which will be held February 4 and 5, 2016

F. **Public Comment:**

The fire fighters responding to the propane ruck fire on 12/24 got water on the fire very fast – about 90 seconds. This speed was attributed to having a 7th fire fighter on the shift.

The structure fire on Orem's Lane on 12/27 was assisted by an off duty Danbury Firefighter who stopped to help when he saw the fire. He functioned like a 7th firefighter which helped to speed on site response and water supply. Chief Kanterman sent a thank you to the Danbury Fire Department.

Captain Jim Geis noted that paging still has issues and run cards mistakes do not seem to be improving.

2016 Fire Commission Meeting Schedule:

The Board of Fire Commissioners meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 8:00 AM Town Hall-Room B

January 5
February 2
March 1
April 5
May 3
June 7

July 5
August 2
September 6
October 4
November 1
December 6

G. **Adjournment:** Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:04 AM.

Next meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 commencing at 8:00 am in meeting Room B at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,



Ross Tartell, Secretary
Wilton Fire Commission