

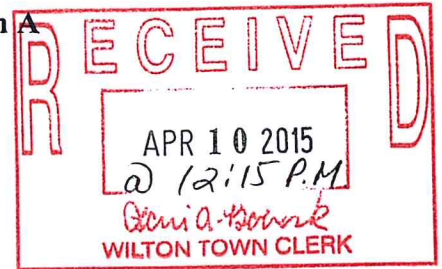


## Wilton Fire Commission

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

### Minutes of Monthly Meeting

March 3, 2015



- Present:** Chairman Gary Mecozzi and Commissioners J. Casey Healy and Ross Tartell
- Others:** Chief Ronald E. Kanterman; Deputy Chief Mark Amatrudo; Lt. Gregg Kitik; Firefighters Dave Chaloux, Gary Fuoco, Pat Garber, Bryan Montgomery, Glenn Johnson, Brad Carlson, Mike Pryor, Apparatus Supervisor Ralph Nathanson, Acting Fire Marshal Rocco Grosso and Captain Kevin Czarnecki.
- A. Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 8:02 am.
- B. Approval of Minutes:** Upon motions duly made and seconded, the Commission voted 3 to 0 to approve the minutes of the Commission meetings held on February 3 and February 25, 2015.
- C. Monthly Reports:**
- 1. Chief's Report:** The Chief's Monthly Report dated March 2, 2015 is attached. The highlights of the report included: Major incident on February 28, 2015 was the fire at 266 Range Road. Mutual aid came from New Canaan, Westport, Georgetown, Weston and Norwalk. SOP Review Committee reviewed/updated 24 SOPs bringing the total to 42 existing or newly drafted SOPs. Approved the Firefighter bail-out system (Personal Emergency Escape System). Accompanied the BOS and BOF on their capital tour consisting of Headquarters and Station 2 on 2/21/15. Fire Station 2 and Dispatch Operations are reported under Old Business.
  - 2. Deputy Chief's Report:** The Deputy Chief's report dated March 2, 2015 is attached. Highlights in the Report included: (i) 10 significant incidents: (ii) 278 hours of training occurred during the month, developed training for Police Officer actions at fire scenes, started personal fitness training 4/month (iii) Car 3 (Chevy Tahoe) taken out of service – may need engine repair (iv) iPad NexResponder Application – issues with incident location pictures continue due to a software problem – holding payment until the issue is resolved (v) completed inspections of both stations with insurance company – no critical problems noted (vi) received chargers for UASI Interoperable Radios. Monthly Apparatus Supervisor's report is attached. Issue of note: Because of the weather, chains are being left on the vehicle tires longer – results in more rapid degradation of the tires.
  - 3. Fire Marshal's Report:** The Acting Fire Marshal's report reporting activity for the month is attached.
  - 4. Dive Team Report:** Dive team report attached
- D. Old Business**

1. **Dispatch Update:** Chief Kanterman reported that the Police and Fire Department have created a working team of Captain Gies and Sergeant Kluk to resolve ongoing dispatch issues and problems.
2. **Station 2 Renovation:** Selectman Saxe is involved with the project. Assembling final comments on the building Statement of Requirements (SOR) in order to get approval to go to A&E
3. **Fire Marshal's exam:** The exam is scheduled for April 8 – April 10. The supplemental posting went up on 2/1. Four applicants submitted completed paperwork in time for the test.

**E. New Business:**

1. **Firefighter/EMT hiring:** Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted 3 to 0 to begin the hiring process.
2. **Personnel Search Committee:** Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted 3 to 0 to convene a search committee comprised of the three Commissioners and Wilton Director of Human Resources, Labor Relations and Administrative Services Sarah Taffel

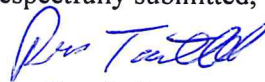
**F. Public Comment:**

- Dave Chaloux raised a question about the firefighter hiring process – will new hires be sent to the academy? The response was that the Commissioners hope to be able to hire certified Firemen and then be able to save the cost of sending people to the academy.
- Dave Chaloux then presented the Commissioners with a letter from the Wilton Fire Fighters outlining a major issue with dispatch and communication. During the fire on February 28 at 266 Range Road there was a request to activate evacuation tones. The tones were not activated. A copy of the letter is attached.

**G. Adjournment:** Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:15 am.

**Next meeting of Commission is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 commencing at 8:00 am in meeting Room B at the Town Hall.**

Respectfully submitted,



Ross Tartell, Secretary  
Wilton Fire Commission