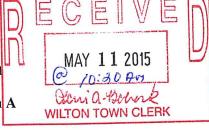


Wilton Fire Commission

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



Minutes of Monthly Meeting

April 7, 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 Joe Bisenius, Mike Blatchey, Dave Chaloux, Brad Carlson, Brian Elliott, Mike Pryor, Bill Wilson, Apparatus Supervisor Ralph Nathanson, Acting Fire

Marshal Rocco Grosso and Captain Kevin Czarnecki.

A. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 8:00 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 March 3, and March 17, 2015.

C. Monthly Reports:

- 1. Chief's Report: The Chief's Monthly Report dated April 2, 2015 is attached. The highlights of the report included: SOP Review Committee are ready for final review of the SOPs. Additional information from the Chief's report is under old and new business.
- 2. Deputy Chief's Report: The Deputy Chief's report dated March 2, 2015 is attached. Highlights in the Report included: (i) 5 significant incidents: (ii) 162 hours of training occurred during the month, (iii) iPad NexResponder Application NexGen resolved the Incident Location Picture problem pictures, when available, are now displayed. NexGen also appears to have resolved a dispatch problem by moving Engine Tanker 4 or Truck 5 to Off Duty when the other is assigned to an incident.
- 3. CERT truck: the truck is almost ready for full service. Engine 2 will be entering scheduled maintenance in May to repair rear support structures corrosion.
- **4. Fire Marshal's Report:** The Acting Fire Marshal's report reporting activity for the month is attached.
- 5. Dive Team Report: Dive team report attached.
- **6. Apparatus Supervisor's Report**: Monthly Apparatus Supervisor's report is attached. Engine 1 will enter scheduled maintenance in May. Apparatus Supervisor Nathanson noted that the winter road treatment chemicals accelerate the corrosion process.

D. New Business:

- 1. **Retirements**: The commission formally accepted the retirements of Captain Carter and Lieutenant Kitik.
- 2. **Vacation Carryover Officers**: Upon motions duly made and seconded, the Commission voted 3 to 0 allow the carryover of vacation for the following fiscal year.

3. **Personnel** (Chief's) Search Committee: The posting for the Fire Chief position will go out on April 7. The posting will be sent to the list of job boards used in the previous search.

E. Old Business

- 1. **Dispatch Update**: Chief Kanterman reported that Captain Gies and Sergeant Kluk to resolve a number of day-to-day ongoing dispatch issues and problems.
- 2. **Station 2 Renovation**: Capital budget set for \$90K for an A&E firm. Turner Construction will handle the RFP process and help select an A&E firm that will evaluate the building and the project."
- 3. **Fire Marshal's exam**: The exam is scheduled for April 8 & April 9. There are four applicants. Resource Management Associates (RMA) will do the testing.
- 4. **Lieutenant's Exam**: Vacancy notice was posted 3/16-30/2015. Twelve firefighters applied to take the exam.
- 5. Range Road Fire Investigation: Chief Kanterman is continuing the investigation. He has interviewed the six firefighters who were on duty during the Range Road Fire. He also received written accounts of the event from then Sgt. Kluk (now Lt. Kluk) and Police Officer Sisentein, who was working as a dispatcher that day."
- **F. Executive Session:** Discussion of pension negotiations. Upon motion duly made and unanimously approved, the Commissioners voted to go into Executive Session at approximately 8:20 am. Executive session ended at approximately 8:30 am. No action taken.

G. Public Comment:

- Dave Chaloux raised a question about the firefighter hiring process. The commissioners responded that they took notice of the letter from the union and are looking to hire people who are fully qualified and equal to the skill of the current fire fighters.
- Kevin Czarnecki asked the commission to begin to look at the workmen's compensation
 process to determine how the process can be accelerated in order to speed access to medical
 services and minimize time off the job due to injury.
- Lt. Kitik asked for assistance from the Fire Commissioners to help expedite his pension plan
- **H. Adjournment**: Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:50 am.

Next meeting of Commission is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 commencing at 8:00 am in meeting Room B at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ross Tartell, Secretary Wilton Fire Commission

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