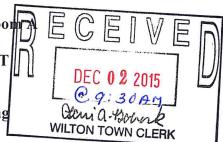


Wilton Fire Commission

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

Minutes of Monthly Meeting



November 3, 2015

Present:

Chairman Gary Mecozzi, Commissioner Ross Tartell, and Commissioner J. Casey

Healy

Others:

Chief Ronald E. Kanterman; Deputy Chief Mark Amatrudo; Captain Kevin Czarnecki, Lieutenants Jeff Locher and Jim Blanchfield, Fire Fighters, Dave

Chaloux, Bill Sampson, Don Scarpetti, Eric Tucker, Fire Marshal Rocco Grosso and

Apparatus Supervisor Ralph Nathanson

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 unanimously to approve the minutes of the special Commission meeting held on October 13, 2015.
- C. Upon motions duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Special Commission meeting held on September 18, 2015.

D. Monthly Reports:

- 1. Chief's Report: Chief Ronald Kanterman was sworn in as the permanent Fire Chief for the Wilton Fire Department on 10/23/2015. The Chief's Monthly Report dated October 30, 2015 is attached. (i); Attended a full day seminar regarding Active Shooters in Schools. Program was also attended by the police department, EMS, town educators and the public. (ii); Delivered Incident Command System Training courses to the Middlebrook School administration and their emergency team as required by DEMHS. (iii); The four probationary Fire Fighters; John Edwards, Noah Fouad, Don Scarpetti and Eric Tucker, completed their training and orientation (T&O) and are all now on shift. (iv); Lieutenants Blanchfield and Elliott completed their orientation. (v) Captain's Exam; Exam was given on October 14-16, 2015. Eight members of the department took the exam. (vi); Station 2 Renovation: Turner construction put out the RFP for the A&E firms to bid on the project evaluation phase. A small contract was awarded to a hazardous materials company to inspect the building and take samples of paint, asbestos, etc.
- 2. Deputy Chief's Report: The Deputy Chief's report dated September 1, 2015 is attached. Highlights in the Report included: (i) no significant MVAs incidents, although total incidents for the month were 159: (ii) 456 hours of training occurred during the month; including finishing new Fire Fighter training. (iii); Engine 2 returned to service. Truck 5 is out of service. Mutual aid companies will provide coverage. (iv); Annual Statewide Emergency Management Exercise & Emergency Operations Center.

- The EOC was activated on October 21st as part of the Governor's annual EPPI Exercise.
- 3. Fire Marshal's Report: The fire Marshall is monitoring and supporting a large number of significant building and renovation projects in town.
- 4. **Dive Team Report**: Conducted training with a focus on the underwater dive sled.
- **5. Apparatus Supervisor's Report**: Monthly Apparatus Supervisor's report is included in Deputy Chief's report.

E. New Business:

- New Engine: The selection team recommended Rosenbauer. The selection will go before the Board of Selectman on 11/16 for approval. The Fire Commission recognized Fire Fighters Fuoco, Plank, Montgomery, Wydra and Apparatus Supervisor Nathanson for their hard work.
- 2. **Captain's exam**: The Captain's exam was completed and there will now be two Lieutenants positions. The Fire Commission will hold a special meeting on November 19, 2015 to interview candidates and vote on promotions to Captain and Lieutenants.
- 3. **Open burning permits**: Upon motions duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to add a discussion about open burning permits to New Business. Fire Marshal Rocco Grosso outlined the need to nominate someone for the open burning position. The person is nominated by the First Selectman and then certified by the state.
- 4. **Budget**: Upon motions duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to add budget to New Business. Chief Kanterman would like to begin to explore adding additional headcount. The number of multiple calls is increasing and there is a possibility of getting short and not having the resources to answer all calls. Chief Kanterman noted that it has been 15 years since the last headcount increase.
- Upon motions duly made by Chairman Mecozzi and seconded, By Chairman Healy the Commission voted unanimously to explore adding four new Fire Fighters for 2016 and an additional four Fire fighters in 2017.
- F. Old Business: Deputy Fire Marshal position Upon motion duly made and unanimously approved, the Commissioners voted to move ahead with the Deputy Fire Marshal position. The goal will be to have the examination in January so that the person can attend school, starting in February. Once they are certified, then the Fire Commission can formally appoint them to the Deputy Fire Marshal position.
- **G. Adjournment**: Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:48 AM.

Next meeting of Commission is a special meeting scheduled to be held on Thursday, November 19, 2015 commencing at 8:00 am in meeting Room B at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ross Tartell, Secretary Wilton Fire Commission