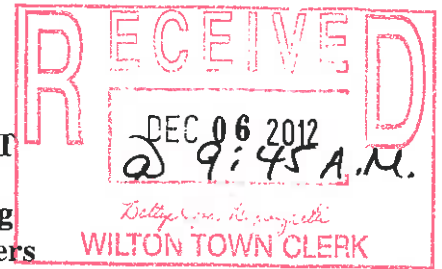


## Fire Commission

236 DANBURY ROAD  
WILTON, CONNECTICUT

Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Fire Department Headquarters

April 4, 2012



**Present:** Commissioners Casey Healy (*delayed arrival*), Gary Mecozzi and Troy Ellen Dixon

Fire Department Personnel

Chief Paul Milositz; Deputy Chief Mark Amatrudo

CPT Stuart Carter; CPT Kevin Czarnecki

LT Thomas Cassin

FF Kenneth Benedict; FF David Chaloux; FF William Sampson

- A. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 1835 hours by Commissioner Mecozzi.
- B. **Approval of Minutes:** Upon a motion duly made and seconded, Minutes of the December 7, 2011 Regular Meeting and the January, 2012 Regular Meeting were approved unanimously.

### Monthly Reports

1. **Report of the Chief:** WVAC and Regionalized Dispatch as addressed under Old Business agenda item.
2. **Report of the Deputy Chief:** The Commission reviewed the Monthly Deputy Chief's Report dated April 3, 2012. The full report is attached.

The report noted YTD total of 328 incidents – 71 Fire & Alarms, 149 EMS and 108 All Other. March 2012 incidents were lower than those of March 2011; apparently due to the milder winter. Significant incidents included a vehicle crashing into a house and causing a fuel oil leak (March 17), mutual aid to Weston for a structure fire (March 28) and mutual aid to Westport for a structure fire (March 31).

Other highlights include:

- Report on the next scheduled monthly officers meeting; training hours; apparatus and equipment; information technology; facilities.
- The FY2013 operating expense budget has not been adjusted by the Board of Selectmen; no changes in the bonded capital budget are anticipated.
- Planning for the replacement Engine Tanker is expected to resume in late April.

(Commissioner Healy arrived during Report of the Deputy Chief)

**C. Old Business**

1. **SCBA Status Update:** Following evaluation of SCBAs with traditional waist-belts, conclusion is that the traditional waist-belts are more user-friendly and less restrictive. New SCBAs will be retrofitted with the waist-belts. An alternative method for building bail-out will be required.
2. **WVAC Move to CMED Dispatch Update:** Contract with CMED has been finalized. The way in which calls will be handled/transferred, to preclude delays, is in development.
3. **Regionalized Dispatch Status Update:** In a letter to First Selectman Bill Brennan, recommendation has been made to defer capital funding request for this item and continue with current system. Plan is to bolster capabilities of Wilton Dispatch by formally documenting and addressing issues as they occur.

**D. New Business: None**

- E. Public Comment:** Commissioner Dixon presented United States Flag, flown in the face of the enemy in Afghanistan on September 11, 2011, Certificate of Authenticity and accompanying letter from Staff Sergeant David K. Mills (3rd Platoon Sergeant; C Company; 1st Battalion 25th Marines; 4th Marine Division; II MEF) to the Wilton Fire Department.
- F. Adjournment:** Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 1900 hours.

**The next scheduled meeting of the Commission will be held on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 at Fire Department Headquarters; said meeting will be a regular monthly meeting commencing at 1830 hours.**

Respectfully submitted,



Troy Ellen Dixon, Secretary  
Wilton Fire Commission