

Fire Commission

236 DANBURY ROAD WILTON, CONNECTICUT

Minutes of Regular Meeting Fire Department Headquarters

March 2, 2011



Present:

Commissioners Casey Healy, Gary Mecozzi and Troy Ellen Dixon

Fire Department Personnel

Chief Paul Milositz; Deputy Chief Mark Amatrudo; FF Brad Carlson;

FF Dave Chaloux; FF Dan Lewis; FF Jeff Locher

Guests

Sarah Taffel, Director of Human Resources; Attorney Christopher Hodsgon; Attorney Elisabeth Maurer

- A. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1834 hours.
- B. Approval of Minutes: No Minutes were submitted for approval.
- C. Monthly Reports
 - 1. Report of the Chief: The Chief read a letter from the homeowner at 203 Catalpa Rd, who praised the efforts of CPT Gies, FF Carlson, FF Lewis and FF Locher for their assistance with snow removal.
 - 2. Report of the Deputy Chief: The Commission reviewed the Monthly Deputy Chief's Report dated March 2, 2011. The full report is attached, including Apparatus and Dive Team reports.

The report noted that there were a total of 140 incidents for the month of February – 46 Fire & Alarms, 63 EMS and 31 All Other. This brings the YTD incident total to 291 – 102 Fire & Alarms, 117 EMS and 72 All Other. February 2011 incidents represent an increase of 45 total incidents over the same month last year. Total incidents were approximately the same as January 2011. The increase over the February 2010 total was primary due to fire and alarm calls. Significant incidents during the month include Hot tub/deck fire at 119 Middlebrook Farm Rd (Feb 9); Kitchen fire at 491 Nod Hill Rd (Feb 10); Electrical fire 436 Danbury Road (Feb 13); Vehicle fire at 18 Sugarbush Court (Feb 21).

Other highlights include:

- Engine/Tanker 4 was out of service for 24 hours during the month for brake repairs.
- The fuel tanks on Engine 1 and Engine 2 are rusting and need replacement.
 Apparatus Supervisor Nathanson is working to get these covered under

warranty. The warranty expired 32 months ago, but fire apparatus fuel tanks are expected to last more than 20 years.

 Notification was received on February 25 that Wilton Fire Department has been awarded the Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$166,620 to cover training room modifications, training courses and associated OT and Station 1 sprinkler system.

D. Old Business

1. None

E. New Business

- 1. Assistance to Firefighters Grant Award: Covered in Report of the Deputy Chief.
- F. Executive Session: At 1845 hours, upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment and performance of LT Michael Michelsen.

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 1922 hours having taken no action.

G. Adjournment: Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 1924 hours.

The next scheduled meeting of the Commission will be held on Wednesday, April 6, 2011 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