



## Fire Commission

236 DANBURY ROAD  
WILTON, CONNECTICUT

Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Fire Department Headquarters

April 6, 2011

SEP 20 2011  
9:50 A.M.

**Present:** Commissioners Casey Healy, Gary Mecozzi and Troy Ellen Dixon

Fire Department Personnel

Chief Paul Milositz; Deputy Chief Mark Amatrudo; FF Bill Sampson

- A. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 1832 hours.
- B. **Approval of Minutes:** Upon a motion duly made and seconded, Minutes of the January 10, 2011 Special Meeting with minor amendments and March 2, 2011 Regular Meeting with minor amendments were approved unanimously.
- C. **Monthly Reports**

1. **Report of the Chief:** The Chief read a letter from Robert E. Livesey (Cortina Learning International, Inc.) expressing appreciation for the assistance of FF Tom Coon, FF Bill Wilson, FF Dan Lewis and LT Gregg Kirk at his home and business on March 7, 2011; acknowledged receipt of a \$100 donation to the Wilton Fire Department from Cortina Learning International, Inc.

The Chief acknowledged receipt of a \$2,500 donation from Realty Seven for the purchase of chairs to be placed in the Day Room and Dispatch.

The Chief advised that the new Wilton FD web pages on the Town of Wilton website are now live. The Chief, the Deputy Chief and the Fire Inspector will be trained on the CMS to make regular website updates.

2. **Report of the Deputy Chief:** The Commission reviewed the Monthly Deputy Chief's Report dated April 5, 2011. The full report is attached, including Apparatus, Dive Team and Fire Marshall Reports.

The report noted that there were a total of 183 incidents for the month of March – 41 Fire & Alarms, 79 EMS and 63 All Other. This brings the YTD incident total to 474 – 142 Fire & Alarms, 196 EMS and 136 All Other. March 2011 incidents represent a 6% increase in total incidents over the same month last year. Increase in total fire calls over March 2010 primarily due to response of Truck 5 to Westport during the two-week period that new ladder truck was being placed in service by Westport FD. (The Chief noted that Westport dispatched direct to Wilton FD during this time, providing 'proof of concept' and support for consolidated dispatch plan.) Decrease in all other calls primarily due to higher number of water evacuation/pump-out calls received this year. No specific reason has been

identified for increase in EMS calls. There were no significant incidents during the month.

Other highlights include:

- Officers' meetings were held on March 3 and March 31. CPT Carter, LT Cassin and LT Michelsen were absent from the March 3 meeting. CPT Carter, CPT Gies, LT Cassin and LT Michelsen were absent from the March 31 meeting.
- A total of 339 hours of training were reported during the month, which is above the monthly goal of 315 hours.
- Development of Sprinkler System designed by CPT Czarnecki is proceeding, which will be substantially paid for with funds from Federal Assistance to Firefighters Grant, and will be sent out for bid.
- Design of the new Training Room has been completed and project has been sent out for bid.
- Plans to regionalize dispatch continue, which will save dollars long-term by realizing economies of scale. However, first phase of regionalization will be implemented closer to January 1, 2012 vs. July 1, 2011.
- BOS reduced operating capital budget for Training Room by \$10K. Shortfall will be paid for with funds from Federal Assistance to Firefighters Grant. BOS spoke in support of overall budget. BOF in the process of reviewing all budgets.
- Cascade Compressor is being rebuilt at a cost \$14K (vs. replacement with new at \$55K).

**D. Old Business**

**1. Covered in Reports of the Chief and Deputy Chief.**


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- F. Adjournment:** Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 1911 hours.

**The next scheduled meeting of the Commission will be held on Wednesday, June 1, 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