



WILTON FIRE COMMISSION

**Special Meeting Minutes of
October 12, 2022
Held Via Tele-Conference**

Present: Commissioners Casey Healy, Terrie Schwartz and John Hall

Others: Fire Chief James Blanchfield, Fire Marshal Rocco Grosso and Director, Human Resources Sarah Taffel.

- 1. Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 5:03 PM
- 2. Approval of Minutes:** Upon motion (Schwartz) and seconded (Hall) the minutes of the Fire Commission September 7, 2022 Regular Meeting were approved 3-0 at 5:03 PM.
- 3. Call to Order:** Motion to scramble the agenda (Hall), seconded (Schwartz) approved 3-0 at 5:04 PM.
- 4. Monthly Reports:**
 - a. Fire Marshal: FM Grosso presented report. Brief discussion on FM monthly report, steady flow of projects. Public education at day care centers and the public schools and keeping up on inspections.
 - b. Deputy Chief: Chief Blanchfield discussed Deputy Chief Plofkin's written report. Highlighted OSHA training which included FD personnel with members of the Police Department and Human Resources.
 - c. Apparatus Supervisor: Rich Carlo was unable to attend, report to follow after.
- 5. Fire Chief Report:** Brief discussion on written report.
 - Call volume increased for month of September.
 - Kitchen renovations to begin, most of the necessary items already received.
 - Progress with the fire hydrant and water line repairs at Cider Mill and Middlebrook OT up, due to injuries and vacancies. Newest hire starts training this month. Shifts have seen an increase of emergency calls with COVID impact.
- 6. Unfinished Business:**
 - A. Facilities:**
 - i. HQ Kitchen-Status-start date October 24, 2022, expected to take 4-6 weeks.

ii. **Outstanding Station 2 Repairs** – list with DPW administration.

B. Town Wide Communications Upgrade – progress discussed with Commission.

7. **Executive Session:** At 5:28 PM, Motion made, seconded and approved to enter into Executive Session to discuss possible offer of employment for Entry Level Firefighter candidate(s).

Executive Session ended at 5:52 PM

Reopen Special Meeting at 5:53 PM.

- Motion at 5:53 PM made by Commissioner Schwartz, seconded by Commissioner Hall, to make an offer of employment as entry level firefighter to one individual, and subject to the usual preemployment conditions and background checks. **Motion carried unanimously, 3-0.**

8. **Public Comment:** none received.

9. **Adjournment:** Upon a motion made (Healy) and seconded (Hall), the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at approximately 5:54 PM

Respectfully submitted,

J. Casey Healy

J. Casey Healy, Chairperson
Fire Commission