



# Wilton Fire Department Office of the Deputy Fire Chief John Plofkin, Jr.



## August 2021 Wilton FD DC report

### Training

- Monthly training topic was Aerial, Truck and rescue equipment operations. The following fire department SOP were reviewed 203, 505, 509, 905. Training covered was low angle rescue with rope systems, stokes basket operations and patient tie in, Grip Hoist and winch operations. Truck 5 positioning at residential structure fires including ground ladder deployment of the 35 ft. and 45 ft. ladders. The month's training was completed by doing water rescue training at Merwin Meadows pond. Foam training was also completed for some leftover shifts.
- Signal 99 SOP was approved and implemented, with a few suggested changes by Capt. Conlan of Wilton PD incorporated.
- Monthly EMS training is Cardiovascular Emergencies by Harry Downs of Norwalk Hospital EMS.
- FF Eric Tucker was put through an aggressive back to work training program over a 2-day period with the on-duty shift and his shift.
- New Hire FF Sam Guttman worked 1 ½ days on shift responding to calls, learning about the department and making final preparations for the recruit academy. He was sworn in on 8/27/2021.
- Members were offered the opportunity to attend a training class (off duty) in Westport for Firefighter Survival and RIT size up.
- A confined space prop was created at FD HQ in preparation for September's training with the help of members and Apparatus Supervisor Carlo.
- Captain Czarnecki received his EMT recertification results from OEMS.
- FF Nick Traycheff completed his EMT refresher certifications through the Echo Hose ambulance program. Captain Jeff Locher also submitted his paperwork for recertification.
- An application was sent to the CT Fire Academy to host a weekend Tanker/Mobile water supply class in Wilton in October of 2022. A CT DEEP grant is also being sought to pay for this training.

## **Health and Safety-**

- A change in the way attack hoses are packed on our engines was implemented, after all shifts were surveyed. The change was a direct result of training done in the donated structures.
- All SCBA harnesses, regulators and apparatus brackets have been numbered based on their storage location for tracking purposes, daily checks and recalls. This will also increase our ability to see re-occurring mechanical issues when they arise. This was done with the help of FF Don Scarpetti.
- New SCBA regulator cleaning document was put in place by FF Scarpetti and posted in stations.
- FF Mandel and FF Lewis found broken brackets on the rear ladder to Engine 4 during preventative maintenance. New ones placed on order by Apparatus Supervisor Carlo.
- A new rehabilitation/public events tent was placed in service on Utility 6.
- PS Trax (inventory tracking software company) has received Wilton FD inventories on all fire apparatus, support vehicles and high value assets. Our next meeting is scheduled for 9/7/2021.
- Jen Fascitelli was notified of a leaking heater at FD HQ above Engine 3 on 8/7/2021. Unit repaired the following Monday by Fonda Heating and cooling.
- The air conditioning unit that supplies the HQ dayroom is currently in process of being replaced.
- Station 2 has a floor buckling issue and the water filtration system has an alarm that are being addressed.