Minutes of October 2, 2019

Fire Commission Monthly Meeting

Present: Commissioners J. Casey Healy, Ross Tartell and Christopher Weldon (by telephone).

Others: Chief Geoff Herald, Captain Jeff Locher, Firefighters Mike Blatchley, Joe Bisenius, Dave Chaloux and Bryan Montgomery and Director of Human Resources, Labor Relations and Administrative Services Sarah Taffel.

A. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at approximately 1804 hours.

B. Approval of Minutes: There were no Meeting Minutes to approve.

C. Monthly Reports:


D. Old Business:

(i) Station 2 Renovation: Chief Herald reported that the entire air conditioning and hot water systems have been replaced. A new large underground propane tank has been installed and 4 small outside tanks will be removed. The new tank will provide gas to the emergency generator and the new heating and hot water system. The oil storage tank in the equipment bay will now be removed. Bathroom renovations will be evaluated next. Instead of seeking state approval to run the proposed water line across Ridgefield Road a/k/a Route 33, Town approvals will be sought to run a waterline from a new well on the Town’s property located on Vista Road.

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(ii) **Update on Chief and Deputy Chief Searches:** Commissioner Healy reported that 7 candidates had gone before the oral board for the Chief of the Department’s position.

**E. New Business:**

(i) **Status of Repair of Kitchen at Fire Headquarters:** Chief Herald reported that a representative of Globe Equipment had taken measurements of the kitchen. Globe Equipment is preparing detailed shop drawings. Upon receipt, they will be reviewed for completeness and purchase orders will be issued. Appliances will be ordered first, followed by cabinets and counters. Electrical and plumbing installations will be brought up to code and fire protection systems will be monitored during installation. The renovations are expected to be completed by Thanksgiving.

**F. Public Comment:**

(i) Chief Herald reported that Fire Marshal Grosso and Deputy Fire Marshal Plank had made a presentation regarding fire safety to Stay at Home Wilton; noting that the presentation was very well received.

(ii) Chief Herald reported that he is still waiting for an updated budget from Pierce on the refurbishment of Truck 5.

**G. Adjournment:** Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at approximately 1620 hours,

Respectfully submitted,

J. Casey Healy
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