

FAIRFIELD FIRE COMMISSION MEETING

February 9th 2012, 7:00pm

Independence Hall, Basement Conference Room

725 Old Post Rd Fairfield CT 06824

1. CALL TO ORDER: at 7:00pm by Chairman Charlene Lebo

Members Present: Commissioners: Thomas Christie, Susan Barrett, Felix Giannini, Craig van Steenberg, Richard Popilowski, and Patrick McCabe.

Also Present: D.C. Art Reid

Absent: Fire Chief Richard Felner:

Present: First Selectman Michael Tetreau.

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

3. Moment of Reflection: For all Firefighters who died in the line of duty and for all people saving lives every day.

4. Approval of Minutes: Susan Barrett motioned, seconded by Richard Popilowski to approve the 1/12/2012 minutes with correction of the spelling of Jannotta. Motion carried.

5. Old Business:

a) Correspondence:

D.C. Reid reported that they have received several thank you letters (on file)

b) Chief's Reports

Chairman Charlene Lebo noted for the record that Chief Felner was on vacation.

D.C. Reid went over the Fire Marshall, Training Center Incident calls and Monthly unit responses reports in great detail with the Commission. Commissioner Popilowski asked where they stood on the budget.

D.C. Reid responded that it is smoothly moving along, and have met with First Selectman Michael Tetreau, and providing all the information as requested.

Commissioner Barrett mentioned again requesting going green with agenda and attached reports, and would like them to be sent as pdf files. This change would make it easier for the Commission to read also. In addition Commissioner Barrett commented on the Fire Website as it has not been updated and would like someone to take care of the website. The Police website is one that did she did comment on as being a great website. D.C. Reid explained that Assistant Chief Bisson who took care of the website on

his own time and may no longer be able to do so, and is in the process of looking for a replacement already.

c) Update Local 1426: President Robert Smith reported Santa Ride will be held Dec 16th through the 18th. Everything is fine.

d) Southport Volunteer updates: No Report.

Stratfield Volunteer Dept: Peter Kopko, introduced the Fire Chief of Stratified Joe Olzacki and Jeff DeSerio to the commission.

6. New Business.

D.C. Reid mentioned Assistant Chief Tracey was in Harford and made a great presentation at the Legislative office for the Reps and Senators regarding the Current state of Regional Training schools. They were pleased to announce they approved 26million to the Regional training schools in the state. In addition D.C Reid thanked Assistant Chief Tracey and everyone involved, for working so hard on the training center project. D.C. Reid reported on the current status of the new engine, and hopefully bid will be announced shortly. Cert training class to start in March.

Susan Barrett motioned seconded by Richard Popilowski to go into Private Executive session at 7:15pm. Motion carried.

Public session resumed at 8:00pm. Chairperson Charlene Lebo reported that no motions or votes were taken in Private Executive session.

Being no further business meeting adjourned at 8:05pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jude Fitzgerald

Recording Secretary