

CITY OF WEST HAVEN FIRE DEPARTMENT ALLINGTOWN
November 3, 2021
Minutes

A meeting of the City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown was held on Wednesday, November 3, 2021.

Present were Commissioners Iris Diaz, Troy Tappin, Kevin Corcoran and Frederick Brown. Also present was Chief Terenzio, Deputy Chief Esposito.

Commissioner Diaz called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance

- 2. Roll Call

Business Manager Brooks called the roll and declared a quorum.

- 3. Approval of October 5, 2021 meeting minutes.

Commissioner Diaz made a motion to accept the minutes from September 15, 2021 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Brown.

- 4. Public Session Margaret Krezminski, 1 Robart Street, West Haven, CT stated that she was glad that we are back to holding meetings in person. It's great to see everyone. Margaret asked about the sites that have been chosen for a new station. Deputy Chief Esposito replied that we are looking at the land across from the old bowling alley on Boston Post Road. Chief Terenzio added that the land is about 2 acres. Deputy Chief Esposito explained that they are selling one acre of the property. Margaret asked about the land at the end of Fairfax Street. Deputy Chief responded that it's not for sale. A brief discussion followed on the new station. Margaret asked how much would the new building cost. Deputy Chief Esposito replied about 15 million. Commissioner Tappin asked how long it will take to build the station. Deputy Chief Esposito replied about one to one and a half years, provided we can get the materials.

Commissioner Diaz explained that we will be looking for a better location to hold our meetings. One that is ADA compliant.

- 5. Finance: Reviewed and accepted the list of processed invoices for October.

- 6. Communications: None

- 7. Report of the Chief: Chief Terenzio gave verbal and written report for October which will be kept on file. Chief Terenzio stated that it has been a busy month with training. We have done the mandated live burn with the other two departments. This was done at the New Haven Regional Fire Training School the week of October 25. Our department hosted an Advanced Elevator Rescue Seminar and lecture on October 22, 2021. We had over 30 personnel in attendance. Two department members attended a four-day course to become Certified Child Safety Car Seat Technicians. This is very involved. We will have to have some car seats available so if someone comes to us and doesn't have the right car seat, we can give them the right one. I reached out to Target and they are going to donate a few to us. I'm trying to do this program with very little cost to the department. There is a grant out there as well that I'm looking into.

- 8. Report of Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal: Deputy Chief Esposito gave verbal and written reports for October. Written reports will be kept on file. Deputy Chief Esposito gave a brief update on the new truck. He stated

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that the changes that have been made have only cost an additional \$500.00. We got a grant for 571,000 and the total cost will be 623,000.

9. Old Business: Headquarters Issues- Chief Terenzio explained that this remains the same.
Firehouse Study – This was addressed above.
Testing-Entry Level Consortium: Chief Terenzio explained the process and he understood that only two paramedics have applied so far. They are having the same issues as we had with trying to get paramedics. They are including, Diversity and Inclusion as well. We are now a member of the consortium and are listed on their site.
New Fire Truck-This was addressed above.
The Fire Expo 2021 will be on Saturday November 6th from 11-4. We will be there between 9:30-10 to set up. There is parking in several areas.
Deputy Chief Esposito showed the new building presentation. Commissioner Diaz thanked the Chief's for putting together such a nice presentation.
10. New Business: Chief Terenzio explained that he was doing some research on some professional clothing for the board. This is for attending special meetings, funerals and parades. This would help identify the Commissioners when they are attending such meetings. Commissioner Diaz asked that he be mindful with the cost when choosing the clothing.
Commissioner Brown asked that the commissioners be more involved in meetings such as the purchasing of the new truck and the new firehouse.

A motion was made to close regular session at 7:54 pm and go into executive session by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran and approved unanimously.

A motion was presented to close executive session at 8:14 pm and resume regular session by Commissioner Tappin, seconded by Commissioner Diaz and approved unanimously.

A motion was presented to adjourn by Commissioner Tappin, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

All minutes are subject to the final approval of the City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown Commissioners.

Minutes recorded by Business Manager Brooks