

CITY OF WEST HAVEN FIRE DEPARTMENT ALLINGTOWN

January 10, 2023

Minutes

A meeting of the City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown was held on Tuesday, January 10, 2023.

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

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

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

Administrative Assistant DeVellis called the roll and declared a quorum.

3. Approval of December 13th, 2022, meeting minutes.

Commissioner Sikorski made a motion to accept the minutes; seconded by Commissioner Tappin. Commissioner Brown abstained since he was not present at the last meeting.

4. Voting of the Officers

Commissioner Brown motioned to go into the organizational meeting; seconded by Commissioner Tappin.

Commissioner Brown motioned Iris Diaz to be Chair; Commissioner Tappin seconded. Commissioner Diaz accepted.

Commissioner Brown motioned Troy Tappin to be Vice Chair; Commissioner Sikorski seconded. Commissioner Tappin accepted.

Commissioner Brown motioned Paul Sikorski to be Secretary; Commissioner Tappin seconded. Commissioner Sikorski accepted.

5. Public Session:

Mason Glines, a Fire Science student from the University of New Haven, introduced himself.

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6. Finance: Reviewed and accepted the list of processed invoices for December.

Administrative Assistant DeVellis explained that the ERS bill covered multiple months and showed another bill paying for the firefighter's annual physicals.

Chief Terenzio said he has started working on the next budget.

Commissioner Diaz asked about the computers line and Chief Tereznio explained that they got new servers.

7. Communications:

Received holiday cards from City of West Haven Department of Elderly Services, Vancord, Mayor Rossi, and the Panza's.

Commissioner Diaz thanked Chief Terenzio for his donation for the Three Kings Day Event.

Commissioner Brown asked to make sure we send a condolence card to retired Captain Richard Murray due to his father, retired Firefighter Richard Murray Sr., passing away.

8. Report of the Chief: Chief Terenzio gave a verbal and written report for December which will be kept on file.

Chief Terenzio explained that the ZETRON Alerting System used by all city fire departments has been intermittently failing. The problem has been narrowed down and being addressed jointly by all three districts.

Chief Terenzio said they are still waiting for the Regional FEMA-AFG joint request for new digital radios for all three districts.

Chief Terenzio announced that they received a "Turn-Down" notice from the SAFER grant submission. He is planning to re-submit another SAFER application in January and developing another plan to achieve a sixth crew member.

Chief Terenzio gave an update on the new station project and stated that they received an appraisal amount of \$51,000 for the property. There is a deadline of January 31, 2023 for the city to act on the offer or it goes to public auction. The department was

allocated \$1 million in ARPA funding for the acquisition and preparation of a building site and Chief Terenzio intends on making calls to get authorization to move fast on this.

Commissioner Brown asked for an update on Car 9 and Chief Terenzio said that it got new brakes.

9. Report of the Deputy Chief/Fire Marshall: Deputy Chief Esposito gave a written and verbal report for December which will be kept on file.

Deputy Chief Esposito got to see the new Engine 3 and anticipates its arrival in a couple weeks.

Commissioner Brown motioned that instead of flowers, they make a donation to Connecticut Hospice in honor of retired Firefighter Murray; seconded by Commissioner Diaz.

Deputy Chief Esposito announced that Firefighter Christopher Shore welcomed a baby to their family.

10. Old Business:

Headquarters Issues –

Firehouse Study –

New Firehouse Property –

New Fire Truck –

All of these items were discussed in the earlier reports.

11. New Business:

Purchase of New Engine Equipment -

Purchase of Extrication Equipment -

Discussion of Apparatus Floor Repair -

Budget Workshops -

Chief Terenzio explained that they have begun receiving the new equipment.

Chief Terenzio wants to schedule two budget workshops with the commissioners whenever is best for them. Chief Terenzio said that Administrative Assistant DeVellis will start reaching out to vendors about their prices for the next year.

Commissioner Brown thanked everyone who came to the Allingtown Tree Lighting.

Commissioner Brown announced that at City Council he was reappointed to the West Haven Allingtown Fire Commission Panel of Alternates and was appointed to the Economic Development Commission. He also announced that Commissioner Palumbo was reappointed to the West Haven Allingtown Fire Commission.

12. A motion was made to close the regular session at 7:37 pm and go into the executive session by Commissioner Tappin, seconded by Commissioner Sikorski, and approved unanimously.

A motion was presented to close the executive session at 7:48 pm and resume a regular session by Commissioner Brown; seconded by Commissioner Tappin and approved unanimously.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Tappin at 7:51 pm; seconded by Commissioner Diaz.

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

Minutes recorded by Administrative Assistant Sydney Landolphi.