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City of West Haven Fire Department Allingtown

July 8, 2025

Minutes

A meeting of the City of West Haven Fire Department, Allingtown was held on Tuesday, July 8th at 355 Main Street, West Haven.

Present were Commissioners Iris Diaz, Troy Tappin, Andrea Palumbo and Alternate Commissioner Frederick Brown. Also present was Fire Marshal Flood and Chief Terenzio. Commissioner Diaz called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Roll Call: Administrative Assistant DeVellis called the roll and declared a quorum.
- 3. Approval of May 13th, 2025 meeting minutes. Commissioner Palumbo made a motion to accept the minutes; seconded by Commissioner Tappin.
- 4. Public Session: None
- 5. Finance: Reviewed and accepted the list of processed Invoices/Revenue.
- 6. Communications: Received a thank you note from the Flood family for a sympathy arrangement that was sent on behalf of the department.
 - Letter from Vertical Church regarding hydrant use and supplies for their annual Vacation Bible School water day.
- 7. Report of Chief: Chief Terenzio gave a written and oral report for the month of June which will be kept on file.
 - Chief Terenzio stated that the candidate selected for the Deputy Chief position has unfortunately turned down the job offer. Terms of the employment agreement could not be mutually met.

Recruit candidate P. FungFook has successfully completed his two-week orientation and has been assigned to Shift A.

Lateral transfer candidate R. Lanzieri's job offer has been extended until August due to personal reasons

Collective Bargaining Agreement: Local 1198 has begun negotiations for a successor agreement.

Equipment/Apparatus:

RI: Out of service. The completed unit has been officially delivered to the department. It will remain out of service until the equipment is installed, driver familiarization performed and scheduling of state OEMS inspection complete.

C9: Out of service with a blown engine

Marine 1: Currently being repainted and re-lettered with department name

Minor Park: The Annex is completed with vehicles being stored.

The front apron and rear driveway remain in need of repaving. Quotes are being obtained.

Admiral Station: Replacing or repainting of the large wood trim around the bay door.

Sanding and repainting of side entrance railing.

Removal of accumulated unused storage in station.

ESCI Feasibility Study: A preliminary draft report from ESCI has been sent to the city for review.

Grants Progress -

Safer Grant: Application submitted.

Alternate Commissioner Brown asked if the commission will be reviewing the ESCI study. Chief Terenzio stated that the mayor has requested that it not be made public until those on the team have reviewed it.

8. Report of Fire Marshal:

FM Flood stated that he has been discussing the abatement process with the Deputy FM and they are currently working on a plan for the implementation of the CES program moving forward.

9. Old Business: Update on the Deputy Chief position will be discussed under Executive Session.

The Commission reviewed a quote from Wizard Painting. A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz; seconded by Commissioner Palumbo to prime and paint the stairway, hallway, and bunk room at the Admiral Street station.

Disposal of C9 and Connex building.

A motion was made by Commissioner Palumbo; seconded by Commissioner Tappin for the sale of C9 and the Connex building. They will be listed internally before being put on the auction site.

The FM vehicle will be completed on August 11th.

10. New Business:

Chief Terenzio stated that The Connecticut Fire Photographers Association will be publishing a 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book. The Commission agreed to place a quarter page AD in the book.

Due to a conflict of interest with the AVFA, per Corporation Counsel, Alternate Commissioner Brown was asked to excuse himself from the room for the beginning part of Executive Session.

11. Executive Session:

A motion to go into Executive Session was made by Commissioner Palumbo at 6:44 p.m. seconded by Commissioner Diaz.

A motion to go into Regular Session was made by Commissioner Palumbo; seconded by Commissioner Diaz at 7:43 p.m.

Chief Terenzio asked to go back into New Business.

Chief Terenzio stated that it would be beneficial for the department to extend the current captain's list for another year. Commissioner Diaz made a motion to extend the current captain's list; seconded by Commissioner Palumbo.

Alternate Commissioner Brown suggested a security audit be done on the Admiral Street and the Fairfax station. Chief Terenzio agreed and will reach out to the PD for information.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Palumbo at 7:49 p.m.; seconded by Commissioner Tappin.

Minutes recorded by Administrative Assistant Melissa DeVellis.

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