



Board of Fire Commissioners

1 FIRST STREET

SEYMOUR, CONNECTICUT 06483

Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2014

7:00 pm

Great Hill Hose Company

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DATE: 6/3/14

TIME: 11:45 AM

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Commissioner's attending: Clay Jurgens, Chris Motasky, Peter Sampiere, Gene Atkas, and Scott Andrews

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Correspondence:

- Letters of intent from Chief James Smith, Asst. Chief Stephen Childs, Asst. Chief John Cronin, and Asst. Chief Michael Lombardi.
- Resume from Captain Doug Zaniewski.

Motion made to accept April's meeting minutes as submitted made by Commissioner Jurgens, 2nd by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 5-0.

Financial Report:

-Commissioner Jurgens stated that the insurance check for repairs to damage at Great Hill was deposited into the correct account.

-Commissioner Jurgens stated that the open purchase order for Chatfield power was increased by \$75.98.

Motion made to accept Financial Report as submitted by Commissioner Andrews, 2nd by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 5-0.

Fire Marshal's Report: See attached

Motion to accept Fire Marshal's report made by Commissioner Jurgens, 2nd by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 5-0.

May Chief's Minutes:

Discussion:

-Commissioner Jurgens asked about the status of physicals. Asst. Chief Cronin stated there are 2 or 3 outstanding members. Commissioner Atkas asked why those members been taken out of service due to lack of physicals. Chief Smith stated that he will take care of it. Commissioner Motasky stated that these firefighters should be taken out of service.

-Commissioner Jurgens asked about the super Sunday make up's. Chief Smith stated that there were certain circumstances in which members missed the make up.

-Commissioner Andrews asked about the watch station computer at Citizens'. Asst. Chief Cronin stated that LT. Lombardi was going to set up individual usernames but that he wasn't aware of the motion by commissioners. Commissioner Jurgens stated that he would contact the town's IT.

-Commissioner Atkas asked about the status of the optic wire for Citizens' internet. Commissioner Jurgens stated that he spoke with Joe and the wire is in route.

-Commissioner Andrews asked if there is a new guideline for the new RIT response. Asst. Chief Cronin stated that OPS 1 have been updated to reflect the changes.

Motion made to accept May Chief's Minutes by Commissioner Motasky, 2nd by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 5-0.

Old Business:

- Commissioner Andrews stated that he has a town mechanic position description to at least be used as a template for ideas. He also stated that the position needs to be posted. Chief Smith asked for copies of the description. Commissioner Motasky stated that he feels the mechanic should be in charge of scheduling maintenance and transporting vehicles. Commissioner Atkas stated that the First Selectmen wasn't opposed to using the town mechanic as an option.

-Commissioner Motasky asked about getting Tom Jensen a plaque for his years of service.

Motion to purchase a plaque for Thomas Jensen for years of service not to exceed \$150 made by Commissioner Motasky, 2nd by Commissioner Andrews. Approved 5-0.

New Business-

-Commissioner Motasky asked about setting dates for Chief's position interviews.

Motion to Schedule Chief's position interviews for May 20th at 7 pm at Citizens' Engine starting with Captain Doug Zaniewski, Michael Lombardi, John Cronin, Stephen Childs, and James Smith made by Commissioner Andrews, 2nd Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 5-0.

-Commissioner Andrews stated that 2 lengths of blue 1 ¾ hose that were damaged and should be surplus.

Motion to surplus 2 lengths of blue 1 ¾ hose made by Commissioner Andrews, 2nd Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 5-0.

-Chief Smith stated that keys got locked in Hazmat 7 and suggested getting a spare key.

-Chief Smith stated that the budget was approved and stayed the same.

Executive Session: None

Other Business:

-Motion to add requisitions to Special meeting on May 20th to the agenda made by Commissioner Jurgens, 2nd by Commissioner Motasky. Approved 5-0.

Public Comment: none

Requisitions: See Attached

Motion made to approve requisitions by Commissioner Jurgens, 2nd by Commissioner Andrews. Approved 5-0.

Motion made to adjourn at 8:40 by Commissioner Andrews, 2nd by Commissioner Jurgens.

Approved 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Pelletier
Recording Secretary

Seymour Fire Department
 Chiefs Requisitions

Qty	Item Description	Vendor	Price ea.	Total	Acct. No.	P.O. No.
1	Strategy & Tactics fundamentals	Commission fire prevention	\$540.00	\$540.00	350	95766
1	RIT full class	Valley Fire School	TBD	TBD	850	95760
1	Motorola Parts	Communication Services	\$1,241.94	\$1,241.94	430	68
1	4 Door closers (checks) GH	Custom Fire Apparatus	\$60.00	\$60.00	430	
1	Mega Movers-qty 6	Bound Tree SEMS	\$177 \$166.64	130.26 \$1,000.4	743	70
1	RIT helmet stickers qty-50	firestore	\$3.99	\$215.00	743	95771
4	LifePak-500-battery-qty-2-GH	Physio-Control	\$247.25	\$794.70		
1	replace front and rear seal Eng. 16-verbal quote	Boughton	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	430	72
1	Eng 13 piping-verbal quote	Boughton	\$800.00	\$800.00	430	73
1	Re pack 13-verbal quote	Boughton	\$500.00	\$500.00	430	74
1	20 vests-C2/GH	Shipmans	TBD	TBD	340	
1	12 hoods-C2/GH	Shipmans	TBD	TBD	340	95777
1	6 Med 6 LG. gloves C2/GH	Shipmans	TBD	TBD	340	
1	Repack 13-verbal quote	Physio-Control	\$500.00	\$500.00		
1	Basic Cardboard AED	Physio-Control		430	745	95775
1	Basic Cardboard AED	Physio-Control		100.00		95580
1	RB-95622 - Chestend panel increase # 75.98					

\$7,010.58

**Seymour Fire Department
Chief's Requisitions**

By our signatures below, we approve the requisitions indicated above:

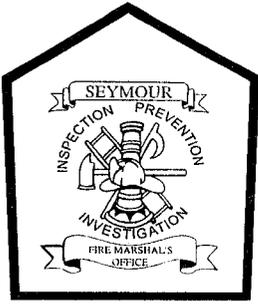
Date: _____

James Smith, Chief

Steve Childs Asst. Chief

Michael Lombardi, Asst. Chief

John Cronin Jr. Asst. Chief



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Town of Seymour
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SEYMOUR FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT
SUMMARY OF OFFICE ACTIVITIES FOR APRIL 2014

Below is a brief summary of the major work activities that the Seymour Fire Marshal's Office conducted during the month of April 2014:

Building Inspections – The Office conducted 2 inspections on new construction, 12 inspections on existing buildings and 14 re-inspections.

Blasting Site Inspection – 1 Blasting Complaints – 2 Other Complaints – 1 Meetings - 6

Detail Code Reviews – 5 Detail follow- up activities – 2 Hydrant inspections with follow up - 5

Letters sent out to Balance Rock tenants involving 20 pound propane tanks on balconies - 8

Major Activities

39 New Haven Road, Seybridge Plaza – There has been no change since last month. The Office is monitoring the construction progress for a two story small addition behind the Fitness Center.

Outside Training Attended– I attended a 2 day training seminar on Arson Scenes and Evidence Collection. DFM Willis assisted the State Fire Marshal's Investigation Unit with their Annual Advanced Fire Investigation Seminar. Office members went to a SFM ½ day class at Easton FD on the International Fire Code.

Training activities conducted – DFM Willis gave a training class at Brookview Truck Repair on Day Street on portable fire extinguishers. He used the Bulex Fire Extinguisher Equipment obtained from a grant several years ago.

600 Derby Avenue, Haynes Quarry – Blasting activity at this site is continuing. I am monitoring the activities.

Churches – DFM Willis is still working on inspecting all churches in town.

165 Pearl Street apartment complex, a single apartment – We are waiting for the work to be completed before a final inspection for a C.O. This project is temporarily on hold.

26 - 28 Bank Street and 54 Wakely Street (continued) – We are still waiting for a response from the State Fire Marshal Office on their review on the 9 Code Modifications the owners have requested.

Fire Lane and Hydrant Enforcement – This is still in a holding pattern.

5-7 Nichols Street – Considerable time was spent again on follow up activities regarding a significant outstanding fire code violation at this address. The owner has not been responding to the Office and the case has been submitted to the State’s Attorney’s Office.

Franklin Street, Haynes Building, Haynes Landscaping Store – There has been more recent activity for this building. A review and inspection has been done to help with placing above ground diesel and propane tanks. Diesel storage tanks were inspected to determine the necessary requirements this Office mandates. After several meetings, it appears that a new plan is being submitted to this Office as there has been a change from the owners.

7 First Street, AutoZone Plaza, Marshal Arts Training business – There has been new recent activities regarding this project. The sprinkler work has been completed along with some other interior work. The Office did some Code review on specific questions the tenant had.

25 Deforest Street, lowest level, chocolate factory – This project is completed. All of the necessary fire code upgrades and violations have been completed. They should be opening soon.

79, 89 and 101 Bank Street, Seymour Lumber Company – The anticipated demolition of these buildings is on hold. It appears the issue is the requirement that the asbestos materials from these buildings must first be removed.

45 Broad St. Congregational Church – Major Code upgrades are finally beginning to occur. Multiple re-inspections and meetings with contractors and church representatives have kicked started the project. Most of the effort now is on fire door replacement for the Exit stairs.

165 Main St., Strand Theatre – Recently, there has been significant focus and work done by the Knights of Columbus, the owner, to bring the theatre up to Code and address long standing issues. Multiple meetings, Code review and inspections have been conducted to date. Work is still in progress to address issues.

Significant Fire Investigations: 121 Mountain Road, structure fire – This was an accidental fire. Combustible materials were placed too close to a wood stove in the basement.

Roosevelt Drive brush fires – Considerable time has been spent on investigating these fires. At this time, they may be tied into the many arson brush fires that have occurred last year along Rt. 34. This involved the Towns of Orange, Derby, Shelton and Oxford. This remains an active investigation.

2 vehicle fires on Route 67 and Exit 22 S. entrance ramp to Route 8. Accidental fires.
105 Meadow St. – Stove fire. This is an accidental fire.

Submitted by,



Paul Wetowitz
Seymour Fire Marshal
May 12 2014

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