



# Board of Fire Commissioners

#### 1 FIRST STREET

SEYMOUR, CONNECTICUT 06483

<u>Meeting Minutes</u> January 14, 2013 7:00p.m. Great Hill Hose Company

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Chiefs' Attending: Gene Atkas, Scott Andrews, Clay Jurgens, Chris Motasky, Pete Sampiere

Meeting called to order at 7:10p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made to accept December Meeting Minutes by Commissioner Andrews, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 4-0 (Commissioner Motasky not present at this time)

#### **Correction:**

- Commissioner Motasky did not agree on the Comcast Bill. It should state Approved 4 Abstention 1

Motion made to amend the special minutes with changes to the Capital Plan and accept January Special Meeting Minutes by Commissioner Motasky, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 5-0

**Correspondence:** Letter from Fire Marshal Paul Wetowitz and Department of Construction Services regarding Christopher Derosa.

Motion made to add appointment of Christopher Derosa as fire investigator to the agenda and send a letter to the State Fire Marshal's Office by Commissioner Andrews, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Motasky. Approved 5-0

#### **Financial Report:**

Bill was not received from Boughton for Tanker 19.

- Bill was not received from Balkos for Marine 20.
- Commissioner Jurgens asked what happened with Tom Tomasheski's phone. Chief Smith stated that the clerk kept it as a department phone.

# Motion made to accept Financial Report by Commissioner Andrews, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Motasky. Approved 5-0

#### Fire Marshal's Report:

December Fire Marshal's Report was read.

- Chairman Atkas asked Fire Marshal Paul Wetowicz what part time occupancy for Roosevelt Drive, 1747 Restaurant and Tavern. Fire Marshal Paul Wetowitz said it was not completed but can be occupied.
- Chairman Atkas asked what the status of the West Pump station is. Fire Marshal Paul Wetowicz said he doesn't know.

Motion made to accept Fire Marshal's Report by Commissioner Andrews 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Motasky. Approved 5-0

#### January Chief's Minutes:

#### Discussion:

Commissioner Jurgens asked about the Salamander computer program.
Commissioner Andrews explained.

#### **Old Business:**

- Commissioner Motasky stated that John Cronin, Sr. is President at Great Hill for 2013 – he is working on getting the cable bill split.
- DiGiorgi will give Commissioner Motasky a proposal for the roof.
- Secretary cast one ballot for officers of commissioners.

Motion made to appoint Thomas Laskowski as fire investigator affective September 1, 2012 by Commissioner Andrews, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Motasky. Approved 5-0

Discussion held of requested budget.

Motion made to accept the requested budget 2013-2014 at \$438,870.00 by Commissioner Andrews, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 5-0

#### **New Business:**

 Chief Smith stated that the Safety Commission is looking for a new member. Pete Wols volunteered for it.

- Chief Smith stated the Town is having a safety review meeting tomorrow night and nobody from the fire department was notified. Commissioner Andrews explained that tomorrow's meeting is for the Town to look for suggestions from the public.
- Commissioner Jurgens asked about the key system for Great Hill. Commissioner Andrews suggested using FEMA money.

Motion made to appoint Pete Wols as the non management fire department representative to Town's risk and safety committee by Commissioner Andrews, 2nd by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 5-0

Public Comment: None

**Requisitions:** 

See attached sheet

Quantity

Item

Vendor

Price

Motion made to pay for all requisitions except reimbursement for Chief and Officer book and sawsaw battery by Commissioner Andrews, 2nd by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 4-0 (Commissioner Motasky not present at this time)

#### **Executive Session:**

Motion made to go into executive session at 8:45p.m. to discuss policy and personnel by Commissioner Jurgens, 2nd by Commissioner Andrews. Approved 4-0

Motion made to come out of executive session at 8:53p.m. by Commissioner Andrews, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 4-0 No votes or actions taken while in executive session.

#### Other Business:

- Chief Smith mentioned wanting to have a Committee put together regarding
- Asst. Chief Lombardi gave an update on the new rescue truck.

Motion made to appoint Gene Atkas as Chairman by Commissioner Sampiere, 2nd by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 4-0

Motion made to appoint Pete Sampiere as Assistant Chairman by Commissioner Andrews, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 4-0

Motion made to appoint Clay Jurgens as Financial Officer by Commissioner Andrews, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 4-0

Motion made to adjourn at 9:02p.m. by Commissioner Andrews,  $2^{nd}$  by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 4-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Muchul Muazu Michele Mrazik

**Board Secretary** 

# Seymour Fire Department Chief's Requisitions

Qty	Item Description	Vendor	Price ea.	Total	Acct. No.	P.O. No.
1	bags for gas meters	John Cronin Jr	\$25.52	\$25.52	610	
1	Repairs to coat/pants	Shipmans	\$95.00	\$95.00	615	
1	Pizza for west st. fire	Citizens	\$175.00	\$175.00	610	
1	Gas meter repair-combustible sensor	Shipmans	\$171.45	\$171.45	430	
1	FF1 Class	valley fire School	\$750.00	\$750.00	350	
1	Paper, ink, tapes	WB mason	\$200.00	\$200.00	610	
1	reimbursement for chief officer book 2	Doug Zaniewski	\$228.85	\$228.85	350	
10	Cairns helmet ID	Shipmans	\$47.63	\$481.27		
4	Dewalt Battery Pack-for-sawsaw-drills	Home Depot	\$128.00	<del>-\$129.00</del>		
1	reimbursement for misc. dive container	Bill McKiernan	\$24.44	\$24.44		
1	rapair FD4	Balkos	\$500.00	15500.0C		
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				\$0.00		

\$2,280.53

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	***************************************



# Fown of Seymour Office of Fown Fire Marshal 1 First Street, Seymour, Conn. 06483

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### SEYMOUR FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT SUMMARY OF OFFICE ACTIVITIES FOR DECEMBER 2012

Below is a brief summary of the major work activities that the Seymour Fire Marshal's Office conducted during the month of December 2012:

Building Inspections – The Office conducted 0 inspections on new construction, 9 inspections on existing buildings and 3 re-inspections.

Fuel Truck Inspections - 2, AS OF JANUARY 2013, LOCAL FIRE MARSHALS ARE NOT REPSONSIBLE FOR CONDUCTING FUEL AND PROPANE TANK TRUCK INSPECTIONS ANYMORE. THE GENERAL STATUES HAVE CHANGED.

Blasting Site Inspection -0

Blasting Complaints – 0

Other Complaints -1

Alarms – The number of fire department incidents for December is 42. See attached report for details.

#### **Major Activities**

Roosevelt Drive, 1747 Restaurant and Tavern – There have been no changes since last month. The project still has some work and inspecting that needs to be completed before a full certificate of occupancy can be approved. The Building Inspector's Office is requiring a fire separation review by an outside qualified person and is holding up the certificate of occupancy.

172 North Street, shopping center – There has been no change since last month. The Office is monitoring any future progress. The building is partially occupied. The building shell is complete.

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.

396 North Main Street, the old Valley Garage –There has been no change since last month. The Office is monitoring the Code upgrade progress on this building.

Outside Training Attended-None

University of New Haven Intern – The intern still has 6 hours to complete before her internship is completed. Her activity in the Office is almost complete.

42 Silvermine Road, Thule Company – An inspection was conducted on the renovated Cafeteria. I approved its use. The Office continues to conduct construction inspections and follow-up activities regarding this renovation.

600 Derby Avenue, Haynes Quarry – Blasting activities at this site have temporarily stopped.

West Church Street at Ryder Avenue, Aquarion Water Pump Station – This project includes the upgrading of this pump station. We are monitoring the construction activities and have begun answering questions from the contractors.

Hurricane Sandy – DFM/AEMD Tim Willis has attended FEMA meetings as part of the cost reimbursement program.

Office Activities – A high amount of holiday time and time off was taken by the Office.

Pier 34, 377 Roosevelt Drive fire – The Office spent considerable time on follow up activities for this fire. This included additional interviews, revisiting the site with the arson dog from the State Fire Marshal's Office and additional work with the Seymour Detective Division. The cause remains undetermined at this time.

CONN OSHA – I worked on the OSHA violations from an inspection they did regarding the Town Hall custodians. Most of it involved the PPE program and follow-up activities.

CONN OSHA – I attended an OSHA inspection that was conducted for the Ambulance Corp.

Safety Coordinator Activities – I worked on reactivating the A.E.D. program that is thru Griffin Hospital Parish Nurse Program. This required a lot of leg work in order to begin the program. EMS Director Scott Andrews assisted. The person who used to do this is no longer an employee in the Town Hall.

Seymour Land Trust - Chatfield Park, Chatfield Road — Application review and stand-by for the yearly Christmas Fire Works Display to welcome in Santa.

Budget Preparation for 2013-2014.

Jefferson Street - Plan review for a gun shop located within a single family house.

School Security – After the Sandy Hook Incident, the school system did a detailed review and walk thru of all schools to evaluate the security of the buildings and recommend changes and modifications as necessary. This included meetings and follow up activities. DFM Willis headed this activity for the Office. Many departments were involved.

Significant Fire Investigations: 133 West Street — This is an accidental fire. The point of origin is under the fireplace mantle of a second floor apartment. The cause appears to be embers or sparks from a previous fire in the fire place of the second floor apartment falling thru cracks in the

mantle's mortar and bricks.

Submitted by,

Paul Wetowitz

Seymour Fire Marshal

January 14 2013

Cc. File

## Seymour Fire Dept

## Incident List by Alarm Date/Time

## Alarm Date Between {12/01/2012} And {12/31/2012}

Incident-Exp#	Alm Date	Alm Timo	Location	Incident Type
12-0000543-000			318 Roosevelt Dr.	
			42 Silvermine Rd.	745 Alarm system activation, no 745 Alarm system activation, no
12-0000545-000			15 Franklin St.	745 Alarm system activation, no
12-0000546-000			North St. & New Haven Rd.	324 Motor Vehicle Accident with
12-0000547-000	, ,		West Main ST /ansonia, CT	111 Building fire
12-0000549-000	, ,		Maple St. & So. Main St.	324 Motor Vehicle Accident with
12-0000549-000			110 Maple St.	651 Smoke scare, odor of smoke
12-0000550-000			Clinton Rd & Rimmon Rd.	352 Extrication of victim(s) fro
12-0000551-000			318 Roosevelt Dr.	651 Smoke scare, odor of smoke
12-0000573-000	•		43 Skokorat St.	745 Alarm system activation, no
12-0000573-000			16 Legion Rd	553 Public service
12-0000553-000			_	745 Alarm system activation, no
12-0000555-000			43 Skokorat St.	745 Alarm system activation, no
12-0000556-000			N RTE 8 X 22	463 Vehicle accident, general cl
12-0000557-000			26 Robin Rd.	743 Smoke detector activation, n
12-0000557-000	•		133 West St. /Building I/	111 Building fire
12-0000559-000	* *		215 West St.	745 Alarm system activation, no
12-0000560-000			41 DeForest St.	531 Smoke or odor removal
12-0000561-000			57 Balance Rock Rd.	735 Alarm system sounded due to
12-0000562-000			42 Woodcrest Rd.	531 Smoke or odor removal
12-0000563-000		16:41:00	77 Balance Rock Rd.	131 Passenger vehicle fire
12-0000564-000	12/14/2012		830 So. Main St.	531 Smoke or odor removal
12-0000565-000	•,	23:43:00	1 First St.	745 Alarm system activation, no
12-0000567-000		13:25:00	79 Main St.	745 Alarm system activation, no
12-0000568-000	12/16/2012	09:00:00	41 Skokorat St.	200 Overpressure rupture, explos
12-0000569-000	12/16/2012	10:24:00	196 Eastwood Dr.	510 Person in distress, Other
12-0000570-000	12/17/2012	09:53:00	North St. & Roberts St.	324 Motor Vehicle Accident with
12-0000571-000	12/17/2012	11:33:00	18 Rolling Hills	424 Carbon monoxide incident
12-0000572-000	12/18/2012	11:02:00	18 Beach St	745 Alarm system activation, no
12-0000574-000	12/20/2012	07:40:00	So. Main St. & Pearl St.	324 Motor Vehicle Accident with
12-0000575-000	12/22/2012	08:00:00	route 67 /tri town plaza	553 Public service
12-0000576-000	12/24/2012	18:50:00	34 Canfield Rd.	511 Lock-out
12-0000577-000	12/24/2012	19:01:00	17 Paramount Dr	424 Carbon monoxide incident
12-0000578-000	12/26/2012	07:50:00	32 Bank St.	531 Smoke or odor removal
12-0000579-000	12/26/2012	16:22:00	N RTE 8 X 21	322 Motor vehicle accident with
12-0000581-000	12/28/2012	13:50:00	216 Bungay Rd.	324 Motor Vehicle Accident with
12-0000580-000	12/28/2012	23:56:00	1 First St.	745 Alarm system activation, no
12-0000582-000	12/29/2012	15:50:00	112 Maple St.	324 Motor Vehicle Accident with
12-0000583-000	12/30/2012	10:16:00	26 Balance Rock Rd.	745 Alarm system activation, no
12-0000584-000	12/30/2012	12:56:00	36 Chatfield Rd.	611 Dispatched & cancelled en ro
12-0000585-000	12/31/2012	08:21:00	2 Botsford Rd.	745 Alarm system activation, no
12-0000586-000	12/31/2012	22:19:00	8 New St	745 Alarm system activation, no

Total Incident Count 42