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## Board of Fire Commissioners

1 FIRST STREET

SEYMOUR, CONNECTICUT 06483

### Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2012

7:30p.m.

Great Hill Hose Company

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

**Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.**

### **Correspondence:**

-Fire Marshal Paul Wetowitz submitted a letter regarding application for Chris DeRosa to take the Fire Investigation Module course.

**Motion to accept the May minutes with the correction of 2012/2013 Budget made by Commissioner Jurgens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 3-0-1. Commissioner Atkas Abstained.**

### **Financial Report:**

**Motion made to accept Financial Report as submitted by Commissioner Sampiere, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Motasky. Approved 4-0.**

### **Fire Marshal's Report:**

**Motion to accept Fire Marshal's Report as submitted by Commissioner Jurgens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Motasky. Approved 4-0.**

### **June Chief's Minutes:**

#### **Discussion:**

-Commissioner Jurgens asked Chief Tomasheski about the out come concerning physicals. Chief Tomasheski stated that he spoke with Dave McVay. The

suggestions given were to 1. Only give stress tests based on Griffin Occupational's recommendation for example a past history or red flags on an EKG. The second would be to use a different doctor who is still affiliated with Griffin Occupational..

**Motion made to accept Minutes as submitted by Commissioner Sampiere, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 4-0.**

**Old Business:**

- Commissioner Motasky stated that he is still working on the Chief's Position description.

**New Business:**

**Motion to approve Christopher DeRosa's application for Fire Investigator Module as submitted by Commissioner Jurgens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 4-0.**

-Chief Tomasheski stated that Capital Improvement projects are due to the Town for July 1, 2012.

-Chief Tomasheski stated he would like the Board to write a letter to town Agencies regarding modifications to either of the firehouses.

**Motion to send a letter to Town Boards and Agencies stating that prior to any changes to buildings and/or use of building during Emergency situations must be brought to the Board of Fire Commissioners first made by Commissioner Motasky, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 4-0.**

**Motion to move Executive Session at 8:12 by Commissioner Jurgens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 4-0.**

**Motion made to come out of executive session at 8:30 by Commissioner Sampiere, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 4-0.**

**No votes or actions were taken while in executive session.**

Commissioner Atkas stated that the Board would like to postpone appointing the Chief's until June 19<sup>th</sup>.

**-Motion to have a Special Meeting on June 19<sup>th</sup> at Citizens Engine at 7:30pm made by Commissioner Motasky, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 4-0.**

**Other Business: None**

**Public Comment:**

-none

**Requisitions: See Attached**

**Motion made to approve requisition with changes by Commissioner Jurgens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 4-0.**

**Motion made to adjourn at 8:35 by Commissioner Motasky, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Jurgens.  
Approved 5-0.**

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Kathleen Pelletier".

Kathleen Pelletier  
Clerk



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*Office of Town Fire Marshal*

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**SEYMOUR FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT  
SUMMARY OF OFFICE ACTIVITIES FOR MAY 2012**

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

Building Inspections – The Office conducted 6 inspections on new construction, 20 inspections on existing buildings and 7 re-inspections.

Fuel Truck Inspections - 1

Blasting Site Inspection – 0

Blasting Complaints – 0

Other Complaints – 2

Alarms – The number of fire department incidents for May is 34. See attached report.

**Major Activities**

Chatfield/Anna Lopresti School Addition and Renovation – There continues to be substantial work at the site. Constant and continued follow up and inspection activities continue on the project. The fire watch program is continuing and going well.

Roosevelt Drive, 1747 Restaurant and Tavern – Construction activities are on going on the project. The Office is conducting on site consulting and inspections.

172 North Street, shopping center – The Office is monitoring any future progress. The building shell is complete.

172 North Street, Laundry Mat – The Office is monitoring the construction activities for this new tenant in the plaza.

76 Silvermine Road, Basement Systems – The construction of this truck storage garage is on going. The Office is monitoring the construction activities.

39 New Haven Road, Seybridge Plaza – The Office is monitoring the construction progress for a two story small addition behind the Fitness Center.

337 Roosevelt Drive, Lake House Restaurant – The Office is monitoring the construction of a small outside deck being proposed for this building.

396 North Main Street, the old Valley Garage – The Office is monitoring the Code upgrade progress on this building.

Training – FM Wetowitz and DFM Willis attended a fire works seminar. DFM Willis attended a fire investigation seminar in New York City at a fire department academy.

University of New Haven Intern – The intern has started to spend time in the Office. She is assisting in fire inspections and other activities. We are spending as much time with her as we can.

256 Bank Street, SONCCA – The Office conducted a plan review and a building review for SONCCA to move into this existing building.

42 Silvermine Road, Thule Company – The Office has been to several meetings and conversations regarding Thule's plan to spend over 1 million dollars on renovations inside their existing building. There will not be any additional building to the existing footprint. Plans should be coming to the Office within a short time.

172 North Street, new plaza, Boland's Cafe – The Office conducted an initial plan review for a potential new bar going into this building.

225 West Street Plaza, Dewey's Pub – The Office conducted a plan review for the re-location of this existing bar which is on Franklin Street.

225 West Street Plaza, Freckled Frosting – The Gluten Free Bakery – The Office conducted a plan review for this new business going into this plaza.

32 Smith Street, Father Callahan House – The Office did a lesson plan and conducted a fire safety presentation for the residents.

Significant Fire Investigations: West and West Church Street – The Office was requested to respond to a vehicle fire at this intersection. It appears to be an accidental fire that started in the engine compartment.

Submitted by,



Paul Wetowitz  
Seymour Fire Marshal  
June 11 2012

Cc. File

# Seymour Fire Dept

## Incident Type Report

Alarm Date Between {05/01/2012} And {05/31/2012}

Incident	Alm Date	Time	Primary Action	Property Use
113 Cooking fire, confined to container				
12-0000168-000	05/07/2012	13:32:00	11 Extinguishment by	419 1 or 2 family dwelling
Incident Type Count:	1			Percent of All: 2.9%

131 Passenger vehicle fire				
12-0000183-000	05/18/2012	11:28:00	11 Extinguishment by	963 Street or road in
Incident Type Count:	1			Percent of All: 2.9%

311 Medical assist, assist EMS crew				
12-0000155-000	05/01/2012	14:07:00	71 Assist physically	419 1 or 2 family dwelling
Incident Type Count:	1			Percent of All: 2.9%

322 Motor vehicle accident with injuries				
12-0000157-000	05/01/2012	15:54:00	73 Provide manpower	963 Street or road in
12-0000177-000	05/13/2012	00:46:00	45 Remove hazard	962 Residential street, road
12-0000178-000	05/13/2012	02:21:00	45 Remove hazard	962 Residential street, road
Incident Type Count:	3			Percent of All: 8.8%

324 Motor Vehicle Accident with no injuries				
12-0000160-000	05/01/2012	21:49:00	45 Remove hazard	962 Residential street, road
12-0000163-000	05/03/2012	11:29:00	45 Remove hazard	962 Residential street, road
12-0000164-000	05/04/2012	01:25:00	92 Standby	963 Street or road in
12-0000175-000	05/12/2012	10:50:00	45 Remove hazard	963 Street or road in
12-0000184-000	05/18/2012	16:10:00	45 Remove hazard	963 Street or road in
12-0000185-000	05/20/2012	23:01:00	45 Remove hazard	961 Highway or divided
Incident Type Count:	6			Percent of All: 17.6%

410 Combustible/flammable gas/liquid condition, other				
12-0000186-000	05/21/2012	12:30:00	48 Remove hazardous	961 Highway or divided
Incident Type Count:	1			Percent of All: 2.9%

412 Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)				
12-0000156-000	05/01/2012	15:52:00	44 Hazardous materials	571 Service station, gas
12-0000193-000	05/23/2012	19:20:00	80 Information,	571 Service station, gas

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## Incident Type Report

Alarm Date Between {05/01/2012} And {05/31/2012}

Incident	Alm Date	Time	Primary Action	Property Use
Incident Type Count:	2			Percent of All: 5.8%
445 Arcing, shorted electrical equipment				
12-0000188-000	05/22/2012	05:29:00	86 Investigate	419 1 or 2 family dwelling
Incident Type Count:	1			Percent of All: 2.9%
531 Smoke or odor removal				
12-0000191-000	05/22/2012	18:25:00	86 Investigate	419 1 or 2 family dwelling
Incident Type Count:	1			Percent of All: 2.9%
561 Unauthorized burning				
12-0000169-000	05/07/2012	17:40:00	11 Extinguishment by	962 Residential street, road
Incident Type Count:	1			Percent of All: 2.9%
651 Smoke scare, odor of smoke				
12-0000179-000	05/13/2012	20:28:00	86 Investigate	419 1 or 2 family dwelling
Incident Type Count:	1			Percent of All: 2.9%
671 HazMat release investigation w/no HazMat				
12-0000201-000	05/29/2012	15:47:00	86 Investigate	419 1 or 2 family dwelling
Incident Type Count:	1			Percent of All: 2.9%
735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction				
12-0000161-000	05/02/2012	06:55:00	86 Investigate	213 Elementary school,
12-0000167-000	05/07/2012	11:48:00	86 Investigate	213 Elementary school,
Incident Type Count:	2			Percent of All: 5.8%
740 Unintentional transmission of alarm, Other				
12-0000197-000	05/26/2012	17:06:00	86 Investigate	131 Church, mosque,
Incident Type Count:	1			Percent of All: 2.9%
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional				
12-0000162-000	05/02/2012	17:37:00	86 Investigate	700 Manufacturing, processing

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Incident	Alm Date	Time	Primary Action	Property Use
Incident Type Count:	1			Percent of All: 2.9%

### 745 Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional

12-0000158-000	05/01/2012	18:34:00	86 Investigate	700 Manufacturing, processing
12-0000159-000	05/01/2012	18:46:00	86 Investigate	213 Elementary school,
12-0000165-000	05/06/2012	08:24:00	86 Investigate	131 Church, mosque,
12-0000171-000	05/08/2012	12:41:00	86 Investigate	213 Elementary school,
12-0000174-000	05/12/2012	09:51:00	86 Investigate	131 Church, mosque,
12-0000192-000	05/23/2012	09:25:00	86 Investigate	700 Manufacturing, processing
12-0000194-000	05/24/2012	03:20:00	86 Investigate	700 Manufacturing, processing
12-0000196-000	05/26/2012	10:24:00	86 Investigate	429 Multifamily dwelling
12-0000202-000	05/29/2012	21:27:00	86 Investigate	599 Business office
12-0000203-000	05/30/2012	16:56:00	86 Investigate	150 Public or government,
Incident Type Count:	10			Percent of All: 29.4%

Total Incident Count: 34