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## Board of Fire Commissioners

1 FIRST STREET

SEYMOUR, CONNECTICUT 06483

### Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2012

7:30p.m.

Citizens Engine Company

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

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

Motion made to accept March Meeting Minutes by Commissioner Jurgens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by  
Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 5-0

**Correspondence:** Three letters read from the Fire Marshal.

Motion made to move the Fire Marshal's Report next and then discuss the Financial  
Report by Commissioner Jurgens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 5-0

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

March's Fire Marshal Report was read.

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

#### **Discussion:**

- Fire Marshal Paul Wetowitz discussed the changes made in Town Hall.
- Fire Marshal Paul Wetowitz explained the complaints.
- Commissioner Sampiere asked if the volunteers can do inspections. Fire Marshal Paul Wetowitz stated that they were unavailable to do inspections. It's not because they are not allowed to.
- Chairman Atkas asked if 337 Roosevelt Drive has been sold. Fire Marshal Paul Wetowitz stated that the owner has not changed as far as he knows.

- Chairman Atkas asked if the Fire Marshal is involved in the clean up at Housatonic Wire. He stated that he is not involved.
- Commissioner Motasky wants the Fire Marshal to draft up a job description for the new fire investigator to sign.

**Motion made to accept Fire Fighter Tom Laskowski as fire investigator by Commissioner Jurgens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Andrews. Approved 5-0**

**Motion made to accept Fire Marshal's recommendation to take Gary Bruce, Jr. off as an investigator by Commissioner Sampiere, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 5-0**

**Financial Report:**

- Chairman Atkas asked where they stand on the new Chief's vehicle. Chief Tomasheski said they are waiting for the new budget to pass.
- Commissioner Jurgens spoke to Comcast. No name was attached to who called and made changes to the plan. Chairman Atkas wants to pay this bill and then try to get a business account to split the bill.

**Motion made to split Comcast bill so that the internet is a business account and cable remains on residential for Great Hill by Commissioner Andrews, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 5-0**

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

**April Chief's Minutes:**

Discussion:

- Commissioner Andrews asked if they have enough money left for hydro testing for bottles. Chief Tomasheski said yes.
- Chairman Atkas questioned why seven air packs were not working.

**Motion made to accept April Chief's Minutes by Commissioner Jurgens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Andrews. Approved 5-0**

**Old Business:**

- Commissioner Sampiere and Commissioner Motasky put together job descriptions for the Chiefs. Drafts were handed out and discussed.
- Chief Tomasheski stated that the new rescue truck went out to the newspapers.

**New Business:**

- Captain Lombardi updated the Commissioners regarding the bids for the new rescue truck.

**Public Comment:** None

**Requisitions:**

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Price</u>
	Light bulb	Great Hill	\$25.72
	LI Chief Show	Citizens	\$135.00

**Motion made to approve requisitions by Commissioner Jurgens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Sampiere. Approved 5-0**

**Executive Session:** None

**Other Business:** None

**Motion made to adjourn at 9:11p.m. by Commissioner Andrews, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Jurgens. Approved 5-0**

**Respectfully Submitted,**



**Michele Mrazik  
Board Secretary**

**Seymour Fire Department  
Chief's Requisitions**

Qty	Item Description	Vendor	Price ea.	Total	Acct. No.	P.O. No.
1	Scott meter calibration pump	shipman's	\$141.00	\$141.00	430	
1	Scott meter meth sensor	shipman's	\$140.00	\$140.00	430	
15	coat hangers for gear lockers	fire store	\$10.00	\$150.00	745	
8	DOT bottle hydro testing rescue 12	shipman's	\$160.00	\$1,280.00	743	
24	ANSI safety ball caps	new england cap	\$12.00	\$288.00	745	
10	led flash lights	galls	\$15.00	\$150.00	745	
14	ANSI long waterproof rain coats	new england cap	\$60.00	\$840.00	745	
1	dive rescue class	dive international		\$2,200.00	350	
55	flow testing of air packs department wide	shipman's	\$55.00	\$3,025.00	430	
7	Scott air pack repairs @ C2	shipman's		\$595.00	743	
1	rotary assembly for e-15	comm. Services	\$137.38	\$137.38	430	
4	volcan flashlight batteries	comm. Services	\$44.26	\$177.06	430	
4	6 volt flashlight batteries	comm. Services	\$45.23	\$180.92	430	
1	gauge repair e-15	ed boughton	\$350.00	\$350.00	430	
				\$0.00		

**\$9,654.36**

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

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Thomas Tomasheski, Chief

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Steve Childs Asst. Chief

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James Smith, Asst. Chief

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John Cronin Jr. Asst Chief



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

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

Building Inspections – The Office conducted 9 inspections on new construction, 7 inspections on existing buildings and 5 re-inspections.

Fuel Truck Inspection - 1

Blasting Site Inspection – 0

Blasting Complaints – 0

Other Complaints – 2

Alarms – The number of fire department incidents for January is 42, February is 35 and March is 38.

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. After considerable time inspecting and witnessing testing of fire safety equipment, the gymnasium and administration wing have received a TCO and are now occupied.

CONN-OSHA- All violations have been addressed with the exception of noise monitoring during lawn maintenance and mowing. This will be completed when the grass has reached a length to begin cutting.

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

249 Pearl Street, Allstate Trucking School – The Office is monitoring any future progress.

172 North Street, shopping center – Construction activities have temporary stopped at this plaza. The Office is monitoring any future progress. The building shell is complete.

172 North Street, Laundry Mat – The Office is monitoring any 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 activities.

Fire Inspector Stipend – The Board of Finance did not support this new position.

Fire Extinguisher Training – DFM Tim Willis did a training seminar on fire extinguisher use for Seymour Auto Wrecking.

39 New Haven Road, Seybridge Plaza – The Office conducted plan review for a two story small addition behind the Fitness Center. This addition includes a storage room on the ground floor and an increase of space for the fitness center.

337 Roosevelt Drive, Lake House Restaurant – The Office conducted a plan review for a small outside deck being proposed for this building.

396 North Main Street, the old Valley Garage – The Office spent considerable time on an initial inspection and follow up on attempting to bring this garage and apartment building up to Code.

Klarides Village Drive – The Office conducted a very preliminary review of the old CVS vacant area to determine what initial Code up grades may have to occur for it to be occupied by Colony Grill.

Significant Fire Investigations: None reported.

Significant Incident – A resident brought blasting caps to the Town Hall in an attempt to determine how to dispose of them. After an initial investigation, I called the State Fire Marshal's Office on this issue and they sent the Bomb Squad to Town Hall. After their evaluation, actions were taken to safely transport them to the Transfer Station where they were detonated by the Bomb Squad with other explosives.

Submitted by,



Paul Wetowitz  
Seymour Fire Marshal  
April 9 2012

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