

Town of Seymour

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

1 FIRST STREET, SEYMOUR, CONNECTICUT 06483

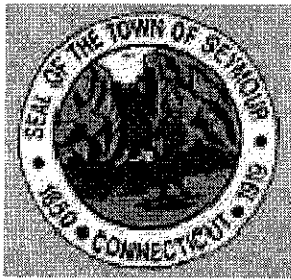
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TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Meeting Minutes  
April 9, 2018, 7:00 p.m.  
Citizens Engine Co.

Attendees: Tom Eighmie, Clay Jurgens, Pete Sampiere

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) Pledge to the flag
- 3) Discussion and approval of Chief's Meeting Minutes dated 4.2.18  
Pete Sampiere/Tom Eighmie made a motion to accept the Chief Minutes dated 4.2.18.  
Vote: 3/0
- 4) Chief's Report: Helmets and boots are in. Lots of brush fires in the same area lately. Working with fire marshal on transfer station project. Dispatch issues with nexgen. Lots of reported structure aid with mutual aid being cancelled before they get there.
- 5) Public Comment: No public comment
- 6) Commissioner's Meeting Minutes: Discussion/approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes dated 3/12/18. Pete Sampiere/Tom Eighmie made a motion to accept minutes.  
Vote: 3/0
- 7) Correspondence: None
- 8) Financial Report: Discussion and approval.  
Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to approve the financial report. Vote: 3/0  
  
See attached financial report.
- 9) Fire Marshals report: Discussion and approval of March 2018  
Pete Sampiere/Tom Eighmie made a motion to accept report. Vote: 3/0
- 10) Unfinished Business:  
  
Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to add dive equipment and training towers to the agenda. Vote: 3/0

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a) Tax abatement- discussion was had regarding issues with tax abatement. Tom Eighmie referring anyone with questions to town clerk,

b) Phone system upgrade: Discussion was had regarding the phone system upgrade. Great Hill will be first, then C2.

c) Discussion/possible action on supporting extension of water/sewer line to country club road and fairway lane. Spoke with residents and created a draft letter for Aquarian and sewer authority.

d) Marine 20- Chiefs agree not to take unit out of service. Will be looking into turning it into a rehab unit of some kind.

e) Training towers- Clay Jurgens read a letter from building inspector and they have be ordered training towers to be taken down or substantial work would need to be done to secure and block off.

Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to send a letter to Tony Caserta and Director of Public Works on how the towers should be taken down.

f) Dive equipment- see attached list. Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to surplus all equipment besides fins and snorkels and make contact with appropriate departments that may be interested in purchasing it. Vote: 3/0

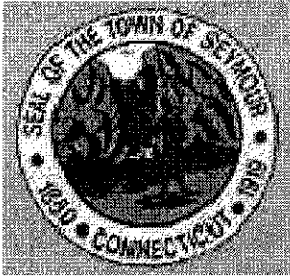
#### 11) New Business:

a) Generator Repair at Citizens Engine. Discussion was had regarding an incident at C2 where generator did not run. It was discovered that it was an intentional disabled by pulling a fuse and causing the generator to fail. The bill for the service call will be sent to C2. During the visit the batteries were replaced. The fuse was removed and placed on top of battery charger. Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to send service bill to C2. Vote: 3/0

Pete Sampiere/Tom Eighmie made a motion to add posting of chiefs position to agenda. Vote: 3/0

b) Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to follow normal procedure and post for chief and assistant chief positions. Vote: 3/0

Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to add SOG 12, charter/ordinance revision, and garage door openers to the agenda. Vote: 3/0



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c) Garage door openers- Discussion was had regarding garage door openers.

Pete Sampiere/Tom Eighmie made a motion to do two doors in each fire house not to exceed \$6,000.00. Vote: 3/0

d) Charter Revision/Ordinance Committee- Committee needs the paperwork on retired firefighter's tax abatement. Commissioners would like a list of repairs to be done at Citizens and Great Hill. Should be brought to next months meeting.

e) Standard Ops 12- Discussion was had regarding Standard Ops 12. Tom Eighmie/Pete Sampiere made a motion to put OPS12 in place Vote: 3/0

12) First Selectman Round Table. There was no discussion.

13) Public Comment: No public comment.

14) Executive Session:

15) Chief's Requisitions- Discussion and approval

See attached requisitions. Pete Sampiere/Tom Eighmie made a motion to approve requisitions. Vote: 3/0

16) Commissioner Comments: None.

17) Adjournment: Tom Eighmie/Clay Jurgens motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm p.m. Vote: 3/0

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Chernesky  
Recording Secretary



**TOWN OF SEYMOUR**  
**1 FIRST STREET \* SEYMOUR, CONNECTICUT 06483**  
**OFFICE OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

To: Seymour Board of Fire Commissioner's

Date 3/21/2018

Ref: Unsafe structures located at 140 Botsford Rd

Dear Mr. Chairman

At the request of the Town of Seymour I made an inspection on March 9<sup>th</sup> 2018 of two existing structures located on the rear portion of 140 Botsford Rd the Great Hill Fire Department.

It is apparent that the two structures were used in a form of training of fire personnel over the past years. However the existing condition of the structures Are in disrepair and structurally deficient.

Ct State Building Code Standards "Section 116 Unsafe Structures and Equipment" governs this matter in regards to the two structures. Also the structures are not secured from entry and are open and unprotected from trespass.

Please consider the options to abate the current unsafe conditions by structural support and enclosure from trespass or the removal of the structures.

If you have any questions with regards to this matter feel free to contact me.

Thank you



James Baldwin

Building Official

Town of Seymour CT



## **DIVE EQUIPMENT**

**1 Body Recover System**

**2 150lbs lift bag**

**1 200lbs lift bag**

**5 masks**

**3 snorkle**

**7 sets of fins**

**2 set of 150ft of communication rope**

**1 dive knife**

**2 communication set ups with head sets**

**5 full face masks with comms EXO26 is the model**

**3xl Henderson wet suit**

**2xl 3 quarter Henderson suit**

**2 xl full wet suits**

**13 3000PSI SCUBA TANKS**

**4 SUPER MASKS FULL FACE**

**2 POSEIDON MASKS WITH REGULAR**

**2 SETS OF DIVE UNDERWEAR**

**4 DIVE LIGHTS**

**2 SCUBA PRO DIVE DRY SUIT WITH UNDERWEAR**

**4 VIKING DRY SUITS**

**6 SETS OF DRY SUIT UNDGRAMENTS**

**6 BOYENCE COMPENSATURES**

**2 SCBA PRO REGULATORS**

**12 SETS OF GLOVES**

**12 HOODS**

**12 BOOTIES**

***Michael Lombardi***

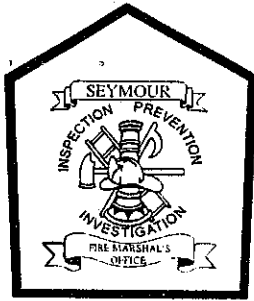
***Chief***

***Seymour Fire Department***

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Office Of The Fire Marshal  
*Town of Seymour*  
1 First Street  
Seymour, Connecticut 06483

SEYMOUR FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT  
SUMMARY OF OFFICE ACTIVITIES FOR MARCH 2018

Below is a brief summary of the major work activities that the Seymour Fire Marshal's Office conducted during the month of March 2018.

Building Inspections – 4 inspections on new construction 16 inspections on existing buildings  
5 re-inspections

Reports – 31      Blasting Permit – 0      Blasting Site Inspections – 0      Blasting Complaints – 0

Other Complaints – 2      Meetings – 31      Code Modification request – 0      Detail Code Reviews – 2

Detail follow-up activities – 67      Burning Permits – 0      Underground propane tank inspections - 0

Oil Tank Removal/Inquiry - 2      Plan Review – 2 other – 8      Fire Lane/hydrant violation - tickets - 0

Document Review – 1      TOTAL ACTIVITIES FROM ABOVE - 171

Major Activities

Outside Training Conducted – None.

Training activities attended – FM Wetowitz took an on-line fire investigation class on "Forensics Lab" and attended a half day class on The New Fire Codes at Fairfield Fire School.

DFM Willis took a half day class on Fire Investigation and New Fire Codes at Fairfield Fire School.

60 Silvermine Road, Basement Systems renovation – This project is completed.

Hot Tamales Cantina Trilogy, Seybridge Plaza, New Haven Road – This project is almost complete. There continues to be on site construction inspections and meetings.

Route 67 Diner expansions, Klarides Village – This project is complete.

Hoarding Properties – I have 2 properties left to complete that the Office is aware of. One continues to improve. The oldest one continues to be worked on. These types of issues are time consuming in follow up activities.

Fire Prevention Poster Contest – I, the Chatfield Lopresti School Principal, the winning fifth grade student and his parents attended a ceremony in Hartford for all County winners and the State winner. It was well attended. The Ceremony went well with speakers, awards, pictures and lunch.

145 Main Street, Boxcar 145 Restaurant – Work continues on this renovation.

Library Fire Evacuation Plan – The Library Director and I are continuing to work on this plan and training staff members.

Safety Committee activities – DFM Willis continues to spend time on his duties as an Officer of this Committee. A moderate amount of time continues to be spent on these activities.

Budget for Fiscal Year 2018 to 2019 - I created and presented the Office's budget proposal for 2018 to 2019.

Burn Building – I have been working on a plan to have the Seymour High School shop students construct a temporary small building at the school then re-construct it at the Transfer Station. Funds have been raised for the materials. Construction is now in progress. Once completed in several months and placed at the Transfer Station, the Seymour Fire Department can use it for training. The plan is to use it for both non live fire training first then live fire training after words. Eventually, the building will be burned down when it cannot be used safely.

Regionalization – I have begun the process of regionalizing some or all fire marshals offices in the Valley. This will be for the sole purpose of fire investigations. I have begun this process because I am concerned about the long term availability of State Fire Marshal's manpower and the Office's lack of more paid manpower. An initial meeting has occurred with the Fire Marshals and Seymour's First Selectman. Positive feedback has occurred so far. I will keep the Commission up to date when it is appropriate and things have moved along to a good point. This is just in its infancy and there are many steps needed to be taken.

Fireworks – DFM Willis was reviewing and has been in discussions with legislators and other fire marshals on the proposed change to the State laws on fireworks selling and use. There is a proposed law in Hartford to legalize consumer grade fireworks. It is our opinion that this change will result in more injuries and fires in Connecticut. The outcome of this remains to be seen.



School Safety - DFM Willis has been in discussions with Seymour BOE Officials on fire codes relating to securing more doors to protect students and staff from potential shooting events. The outcome of these discussions remains to be seen.

Carbon Monoxide issue with DFM Willis's Ford Explorer – No Change. We are still waiting for the recall. Carbon Monoxide is leaking into his vehicle. It was brought to Crowley Ford for investigation. This is part of Ford's Police Interceptors around the Country that are having carbon monoxide problems. There is no fix for it yet, but it is probable the vehicle will be recalled once Ford determines a fix. The vehicle is still in use but a carbon monoxide detector is being used. Other proactive actions are being taken. The First Selectman and Police Chief have been notified of the problem.

INVESTIGATIONS: 8 Old Quarry Road – The Office conducted an investigation on a reported burn to be from a curling iron. No additional follow up necessary at this time.

Each fire and follow-up requires a detailed report.

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Wetowitz", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Paul Wetowitz  
Seymour Fire Marshal  
April 9 2018

Cc. File

**Fire Dept Expenditures**  
**Town of Seymour**

04/06/2018  
Fiscal Year 2017-2018

	Orig Budget	Changes	Adj Budget	Mtd Expended	Ytd Expended	Encumbered	Balance	%Exp
<b>550 Fire Department</b>								
1-001-420-2200-550-101 Salary: Director	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
1-001-420-2200-550-105 Salary - Engineers	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	\$1,273.00	\$11,457.00	\$0.00	\$3,543.00	76.38%
1-001-420-2200-550-110 Salary: Regular employees -Mechanic	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
1-001-420-2200-550-120 Salary - Part Time	\$24,720.00	\$0.00	\$24,720.00	\$753.64	\$2,978.24	\$0.00	\$21,741.76	12.05%
1-001-420-2200-550-125 Board secretary fees	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$60.00	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	75.00%
1-001-410-1550-550-220 Social security - Fire	\$3,130.00	\$0.00	\$3,130.00	\$155.03	\$1,103.96	\$0.00	\$2,026.04	35.27%
1-001-420-2200-550-340 Purchased professional services - Medica	\$32,500.00	\$0.00	\$32,500.00	\$0.00	\$19,039.67	\$1,992.86	\$11,467.47	64.72%
1-001-420-2200-550-350 Education/Meeting/Seminars	\$36,000.00	\$0.00	\$36,000.00	\$0.00	\$12,790.05	\$980.00	\$22,229.95	38.25%
1-001-420-2200-550-430 Repairs and maintenance	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$28,077.12	\$7,521.37	\$24,401.51	59.33%
1-001-420-2200-550-530 Communications/Telephones	\$10,800.00	\$0.00	\$10,800.00	\$0.00	\$4,160.46	\$4,156.88	\$2,482.66	77.01%
1-001-420-2200-550-580 Travel	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	0.00%
1-001-420-2200-550-610 General supplies	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,016.23	\$0.00	\$1,983.77	33.87%
1-001-420-2200-550-615 Clothing	\$30,450.00	\$0.00	\$30,450.00	\$0.00	\$25,309.80	\$5,000.00	\$140.20	99.99%
1-001-420-2200-550-622 Electricity	\$26,000.00	\$0.00	\$26,000.00	\$0.00	\$19,219.32	\$0.00	\$6,780.68	73.92%
1-001-420-2200-550-624 Oil	\$28,000.00	\$0.00	\$28,000.00	\$0.00	\$17,742.99	\$0.00	\$10,257.01	63.37%
1-001-420-2200-550-626 Gasoline	\$17,000.00	\$0.00	\$17,000.00	\$589.33	\$6,515.34	\$4,025.92	\$6,458.74	62.01%
1-001-420-2200-550-720 Buildings - Improvements	\$37,000.00	\$0.00	\$37,000.00	\$0.00	\$16,030.41	\$9,134.18	\$11,835.41	68.01%
1-001-420-2200-550-740 Equipment Capital	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
1-001-420-2200-550-741 Vehicle Lease	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
1-001-420-2200-550-743 Mach and Equip OSHA	\$49,000.00	\$0.00	\$49,000.00	\$0.00	\$33,791.32	\$261.20	\$14,947.48	69.49%
1-001-420-2200-550-745 Equipment Non Capital	\$38,000.00	\$0.00	\$38,000.00	\$0.00	\$9,852.10	\$1,088.00	\$27,059.90	28.79%
<b>SubDept 550 Fire Department</b>	<b>\$412,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$412,000.00</b>	<b>\$2,831.00</b>	<b>\$209,984.01</b>	<b>\$34,160.41</b>	<b>\$167,855.58</b>	<b>59.26%</b>
<b>Fund 001 General Fund</b>	<b>\$412,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$412,000.00</b>	<b>\$2,831.00</b>	<b>\$209,984.01</b>	<b>\$34,160.41</b>	<b>\$167,855.58</b>	<b>59.26%</b>
<b>Grand Total for Report</b>	<b>\$412,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$412,000.00</b>	<b>\$2,831.00</b>	<b>\$209,984.01</b>	<b>\$34,160.41</b>	<b>\$167,855.58</b>	<b>59.26%</b>

**Fire Dept  
Town of Seymour**

4/6/2018 11:44:57 AM  
Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018

O#	Vendor #	Vendor Name	PO Date	Ref	Age	Batch	Line	Account Number	PO Description	Status	PO Amount	Amt Spent	Encumbered
1410	18260	GOWANS-KNIGHT COMPANY INC	08/16/17		233	FD - AUG	1	1-001-420-2200-550-743	Pump Testing - Sept.	P	\$5,500.00	\$5,238.80	\$261.20
434	152209	Phoenix Propane, LLC	08/21/17		228	FD - AUG	1	1-001-420-2200-550-626	Propane for Both FDs	P	\$5,000.00	\$974.08	\$4,025.92
440	152319	A & J Generator and Equipment, LL	08/21/17		228	FD - AUG	1	1-001-420-2200-550-720	Generator - C2	P	\$1,500.00	\$659.00	\$841.00
		A & J Generator and Equipment, LL	08/21/17		228	FD - AUG	2	1-001-420-2200-550-720	Generator - GH	P	\$1,500.00	\$895.00	\$605.00
441	31400	OXFORD LUMBER BLDG	08/21/17		228	FD - AUG	1	1-001-420-2200-550-720	Misc building materials	P	\$92.21	\$73.29	\$18.92
164	90443	HOUSATONIC PAPER & SUPPLY	08/23/17		226	FD - AUG	1	1-001-420-2200-550-720	1st QTR Supplies	P	\$2,000.00	\$984.64	\$1,015.36
172	168192	CHERNESKY, ANGELA	11/17/17		140	AP - NOV	1	1-001-420-2200-550-125	Secretarial Services 2nd qtr	P	\$500.00	\$540.00	\$0.00
195	11705	DADDIO'S NEW AUTO PARTS	11/21/17		136	AP - NOV	1	1-001-420-2200-550-430	2ND QTR	P	\$1,000.00	\$730.87	\$269.13
02	15654	FIREMATIC SUPPLY CO INC	11/21/17		136	AP - NOV	1	1-001-420-2200-550-615	4 pairs rubber boots	O	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
25	06900	CHATFIELD POWER EQUIPMENT	12/11/17		116	AP - DEC	1	1-001-420-2200-550-430	REPAIRS FOR	P	\$500.00	\$314.95	\$185.05
71	00900	AIR COMPRESSOR ENGINEERIN	01/08/18		88	Ap - Jan	1	1-001-420-2200-550-720	repairs to both fire house	P	\$5,000.00	\$3,161.10	\$1,838.90
74	173402	NU-AGE WARNING LLC	01/08/18		88	Ap - Jan	2	1-001-420-2200-550-430	Repairs FD's Vehicle	P	\$2,667.00	\$40.00	\$2,627.00
30	13550	EHMAN MECHANICAL SERV LLC	01/23/18		73	Ap - Jan	1	1-001-420-2200-550-720	3rd Qtr Blanket PO	P	\$1,500.00	\$150.00	\$1,350.00
11	157339	Verizon Wireless	01/31/18		65	Ap - Jan	1	1-001-420-2200-550-530	Jan Feb Mar Fire Dept Cell	P	\$5,000.00	\$843.12	\$4,156.88
4	18900	GRIFFIN HOSPITAL	01/31/18		65	Ap - Jan	1	1-001-420-2200-550-340	3rd Qtr Dept Physicals	P	\$5,000.00	\$3,007.14	\$1,992.86
5	13612	EAST RIVER ENERGY	01/31/18		65	Ap - Jan	1	1-001-420-2200-550-624	3rd Qtr fuel heating Both	P	\$5,000.00	\$7,514.81	\$0.00
1	15654	FIREMATIC SUPPLY CO INC	02/01/18		64	AP - FEB	1	1-001-420-2200-550-615	fire helmets w/fs	O	\$3,500.00	\$0.00	\$3,500.00
3	42755	VALLEY FIRE CHIEFS REGIONAL	02/13/18		52	AP - FEB	1	1-001-420-2200-550-350	Instructor Class	O	\$430.00	\$0.00	\$430.00
1	141823	Lowes Home Improvement	02/13/18		52	AP - FEB	1	1-001-420-2200-550-745	20 LED Flashlights for Fire	O	\$638.00	\$0.00	\$638.00
	146834	Pete's Tire Barn	02/13/18		52	AP - FEB	1	1-001-420-2200-550-430	Replace rear tires on E11	O	\$2,100.00	\$0.00	\$2,100.00
	06915	COHENS KEY SHOP INC	02/13/18		52	AP - FEB	2	1-001-420-2200-550-720	Batteries & software	O	\$950.00	\$0.00	\$950.00
	42525	W J ELECTRIC LLC	02/13/18		52	AP - FEB	1	1-001-420-2200-550-720	Electrical upgrades &	O	\$2,515.00	\$0.00	\$2,515.00
	25453	LITTLE RIVER POWER EQUIP	02/16/18		49	AP - FEB	1	1-001-420-2200-550-430	repair to power huskvana	P	\$275.00	\$134.81	\$140.19
	42755	VALLEY FIRE CHIEFS REGIONAL	03/15/18		22	AP - MAR	1	1-001-420-2200-550-350	Combo Class 2Q/Pump	O	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$550.00
	126010	Northeastern Communications Inc.	03/15/18		22	AP - MAR	1	1-001-420-2200-550-745	Scanner C2 Watch Station	O	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$450.00
	41360	TRACY'S GARAGE	03/21/18		16	AP - MAR	1	1-001-420-2200-550-430	repair air leak in secondary	O	\$2,200.00	\$0.00	\$2,200.00
<b>Fund</b>										<b>001 General Fund</b>		<b>\$34,160.41</b>	

**Grand Total for Report**

**\$34,160.41**

**Seymour Fire Department  
Chief's Requisitions**

Qty	Item Description	Vendor	Price ea.	Total	Acct. No.	P.O. No.
8	MINITOR 4 BATTERIES	NORTHEAST COMM	\$6.50	\$52.00		
	FIRE POLOICE EQUIPMENT FOR GH	THE FIRE STORE		\$610.99		
1	SPOTTED DOG SYSTEM	TRUMBULL SOFTWARE ASSOCIATES		\$960.00		
	UPGRADE LIGHTS FOR E-11	NU-AGE WARNING		\$8,695.00		
1	COMMAND CABINET	NORTHEAST COMM		\$1,200.00		
2	RIT PAK DECALS	Clay Jurgens	\$40	\$40.00		
4	Overhead Doors Openers	Overhead Door of Waterbury		\$6,000		

**\$11,517.99**

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

Date: 4/9/18 4/3/2018

  
Michael Lombardi, Chief

  
Chris Edwards, Asst. Chief

  
Al Rochelle, Asst. Chief

  
Doug Zaniewski, Asst. Chief