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Fire Commission Minutes October 14, 2021

Call to Order: Chairman Martin Sandshaw called the scheduled October 14, 2021, Fire Commission Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Head Quarters Station of the Fire Department at 21 Harwinton Avenue, Terryville, Connecticut.

Roll Call: Chairman Martin Sandshaw, Commissioner Daniel Wollenberg, Commissioner Vern Wagner, Commissioner Mark Redman, Commissioner Victor Mitchell and Vice-Chairman Gerard Wunsch. Also, in attendance were: Fire Chief Mark Sekorski, Assistant Chief Chris Masi and Fire Marshal Ray Kovaleski.

Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Sandshaw led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes dated September 9, 2021:

A motion was made by Commissioner Victor Mitchell, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gerard Wunsch to approve the September 9, 2021 Minutes. This motion was approved unanimously.

Commissioners' Reports

Chief's Report:

Chief at Sekorski reported the following:

The generator should be here next week.

Looked at new location for fire hydrant on Harwinton Avenue.

Helping with Plymouth's Block Party on 10/16/21. (antique trucks and Committee needs tables and chairs).

Training schedule emailed to the meeting secretary.

Waterbury Area Chiefs' Executive Board Meeting – 9/4.

Waterbury Area Fire Chiefs Meeting - 9/30.

Litchfield County Fire Chiefs - 10/11

Finishing up fire prevention at the schools.

Started annual stamp campaign.

Routine calls – Mutual aid calls to Thomaston.

Received an email from the police captain – cameras are fully activated. Everyone must be very careful at fire scene.

Reviewed with Councilwoman Roxanne McCann COVID relief money. The town is getting \$2.8 million dollars. There are certain criteria. Assistant Chief Masi is working on plymovent system and bringing fiber optics to the Plymouth fire house - get hurst system replaced. The Town received half the money and the other half will be received after the new year.

Treasurer's Report – Chariman went over the ledger. Energy bills will be reviewed next month.

Fire Marshal's Report: Fire Marshal Raymond Kovaleski went over his Monthly Report, Monthly Budget Expenses and List of Incidents in detail for the month of September.

The Fire Marshal went over the fire calls. It takes 15 - 20 minutes of his time.

The Fire Marshal stated the Deputy Fire Marshal position budget cut equates to \$1.00 per person. Feels that the Mayor made up his mind to not bring the position back. He presented the reports from December 2017 – 2020. Said periodic inspections have been going down. When COVID happened, they could not get into places. The "Other" inspections were from photographs being updated in the system and updating the Knox box. The office was very busy. Got rid of files and businesses that no longer existed on the computer. He feels that a meeting with the Board of Finance should happen after the 1st of the year. Said inspections are at 9%. 90% of inspections are not getting done. Said the State is going to want an answers. He feels the Mayor persuaded the Board of Finance not to give back the money back.

A discission rook place of when Board of Finance should be contacted.

The Fire Marshal stated that he will be going over 100 blight properties.

Chairman Sandshaw wants a report of what you can and what you can't' and he will set up a meeting with the Board of Finance. He would like a list of inspections from July 1st 2019 and July 1st 2021.

The Fire Marshal explained the blight list and how it happens. Said it takes about half hour for each property.

Linda Schnaars went over the Fire Hawk account money. This will be discussed with the Board of Finance when the meeting is scheduled.

Communications:

Radio Report: Northing to report.

Buildings and Grounds Report: Assistant Chief Chris Masi reported all new LED lighting at headquarters is in. Fall Mountain will get new lights. The generator is starting to be installed at headquarters. The gutters at headquarters have been fixed and sealed. Plymouth fire house still has a water problem. Not sure what the problem is.

Equipment Report: Chief Sekorski reported that Deputy Chief Derek Freimuth got new gear. Measuring gear next week (9 sets).

Training Report: Please see attached report.

Trucks Report: Chief Sekorski reported there will be a meeting first week in December in New York with truck committee.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Nothing to report.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment:

There being no further business of the Fire Commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Victor Mitchell, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gerard Wunsch to adjourn. This motion was approved unanimously. The meeting ended at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Schnaars **Recording Secretary**

TERRYVILL FIRE DEPT. TRAINING SCHEDULE FALL 2021

OCT.03 ALL DEPT. MEETING 10:00AM **OCT.04** ALL TRUCK EQUIPMENT 7:00PM OCT. 07 ALL **OPERATION** E.D.I.T.H 6:30PM OCT. 11 STA 1 CPR HQ ONLY 6:30PM PLY/FM HOSE ADVANCEMENT 6:30PM OCT 18 STA 1 LADDERS WSFS 6:30PM PLY/FM DRIVER REQUALIFICATIO N 7:00PM OCT 25 ALL CPR 7:00PM

NOV.01 ALL FM Breakfast 7:00AM NOV.08 PLY/FM LADDERS WSFS 6:30PM HQ DRIVER REQUALIFICATIO N 7:00PM NOV.15 ALL Haz-Mat Tech Decon 7:00PM

NOV. 22 ALL Company Meetings 7:00PM

NOV.29 ALL Department Social@ Ply Co 7:00PM

DEC.06 ALL Cold-Water Rescue 7:00PM

DEC. 13 ALL Department X-Mas Party 7:00PM

DEC. 20 ALL Company Meetings 7:00PM

Chiefs

& Captains 6:00PM

DEC 27 ALL Captains Night 7:00PM

JAN 03 ALL DEPARTME NT MEETING 7:00PM