

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Meeting Minutes
January 3, 2011**

Attending the meeting was Vice Chairman Wayne Malicki, Secretary Armand Brodeur, Commissioner Tim Ryan, Commissioner Susan Ruggeri-Thornton, Alternate Commissioner Robert Allen, Chief Ken Hanks, Mayor Bob Mezzo and Burgess Liaison Mindy Fragoso.

Vice Chairman Malicki called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Vice Chairman Malicki led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Absent from the meeting was Chairman M. Bogis.

Vice Chairman Malicki asked Alternate Commissioner B. Allen to fill in for Chairman M. Bogis

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by T. Ryan to accept the minutes of the December 6, 2010 Regular Commission Meeting striking the words "Commission Meeting" from the Acceptance of the Fire Police List motion.

<u>FOR:</u>	<u>AGAINST:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
W. Malicki		
A Brodeur		
T. Ryan		
S. Ruggeri-Thornton		
B. Allen		

By a majority vote the motion carried.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by T. Ryan to accept the minutes of the December 29, 2010 Special Commission Meeting moving T. Ryan from absent to attending.

<u>FOR:</u>	<u>AGAINST:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
W. Malicki		
A Brodeur		
T. Ryan		
S. Ruggeri-Thornton		
B. Allen		

By a majority vote the motion carried

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by S. Ruggeri-Thornton to accept NFD Administrative Reports.

<u>FOR:</u>	<u>AGAINST:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
W. Malicki		
A Brodeur		
T. Ryan		
S. Ruggeri-Thornton		
B. Allen		

By a majority vote the motion carried

Correspondence

Vice Chairman Malicki read a letter from Todd Gallino of Local 1219 thanking the department for their support with the Annual Toys for Tots drive and the use of the department vehicles to deliver the toys.

Vice Chairman W. Malicki read a letter of resignation from Chairman M. Bogis.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by R. Allen to accept Chairman Bogis'

resignation.

FOR:

W. Malicki

A Brodeur

T. Ryan

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

B. Allen

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried.

NEMAC

There was no report.

Chief Hanks reported that they worked with the Zoning Department to get approval by FEMA of for the flood regulations for building in flood zones, in order to maintain the availability of flood insurance to people.

Local 1219

Local 1219 President J. Ricci reported that FF Hebb was reelected as Union Secretary, and FF Gallino is now Vice President. Union VP Gallino reported they are planning a Dodge Ball Tournament on February 12, and invited the Commission to attend.

Plan Review

There were no Plan Reviews

Budget Transfers and Review

There were no transfers.

Committee Reports

Fire Police – Three members are in training, and will be ready for assignments in two weeks.

Vice Chairman W. Malicki reported that the Deputy Chief's position would be posted tomorrow.

Comments from Commissioners:

T. Ryan commented on the well run the interviewing for the new Firefighter. Commissioner A. Brodeur wished everyone a Happy New Year from himself and his family. R. Allen agreed with Commissioner T. Ryan and thanked the Union for their cooperation with the Commission. Vice Chairman W. Malicki commented that elections would be held next month. And, after reading the Borough Charter there is no mention of 'Alternate' Commissioners and asked the Commission's opinion about eliminating 'Alternate' Commissioners. A discussion was held. It was decided to retain the Alternate Commissioner's positions.

Comments from the Public:

Mindy Fragoso asked FF Gallino about the volume of toys collected for the Toys are Tots Drive. She thanked former Chair M. Bogis for his dedication, and commented that he was an excellent chair and he did a great service to the Borough. And, questioned how long the candidates list is valid for.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by S. Ruggeri-Thornton the meeting was adjourned at 7:19pm.

FOR:

W. Malicki

A Brodeur

T. Ryan

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

R. Allen

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried

Respectfully Submitted:

Louise Ross