

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Meeting Minutes
January 4, 2010**

Attending the meeting were Chairman Michael Bogis, Vice Chairman Wayne Malicki, Secretary Armand Brodeur, Commissioner Tim Ryan, Commissioner Susan Ruggeri-Thornton, Alternate Commissioner Robert Allen, Fire Chief Charles R. Doback, Jr., Deputy Chief Ken Hanks, Mayor Bob Mezzo and Mindy Fragoso, Burgess Liaison.

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

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by T. Ryan to accept the minutes of the November 2, 2009 meeting.

FOR:

M. Bogis

T. Ryan

W. Malicki

A. Brodeur

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried.

VOTED: On a motion by W. Malicki and seconded by A. Brodeur to accept the NFD Administrative Reports. Chairman Bogis noted that the Annual Poster Contest winners have been announced. The award ceremony will be coming up in late January. And was happy to see that the Christmas Toy Drive was successful.

FOR:

M. Bogis

A. Brodeur

W. Malicki

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

R. Allen

Mayor Mezzo

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Correspondence:

Chief Doback read a thank you from the Naugatuck Ecumenical Food Bank thanking the department for their donation of food collected during the toy drive.

Chief Doback read a thank you FF John DeBisschop for the department's participation, along with the American Legion, for the Annual Halloween party.

Chief Doback read a thank you to the department from the Christie Family for the bible, the department's condolences on the passing of retired/past firefighter Ed Christie.

Chief Doback read a thank you to the department from Naugatuck Youth Services Director Jane Lobdell for the departments on behalf of her clients, families and staff, for their generosity at Christmas.

Chairman Bogis extended congratulations to Local 1219's newly elected Secretary Stephen Hebb and Capt. David Seeger as Vice President.

Local 1219 Issues:

There were no issues

NEMAC:

Deputy Chief Hanks reported there hasn't been much activity due to the holidays. Their next meeting is in

February. They have been invited to tour Hop Book Dam.

Plan Review

There were no plan reviews

Budget Transfers and Review

Chief Doback reported there were no transfers; we are still operating within the budget and noted that the department has not yet received the 2010-2011 Budget Package

Drug Testing NFD – discussion and update

Chairman Bogis noted that a meeting is scheduled January 8, 2010.

Committee Report:

W. Malicki reported that there had been no meetings of the Equipment, and Mechanic's Committees, due to the holidays.

Election of Officers

VOTED: On a motion by T. Ryan and seconded by W. Malicki to nominate A. Brodeur as Secretary to the Commission.

FOR:

M. Bogis

T. Ryan

W. Malicki

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried.

VOTED: On a motion by T. Ryan and seconded by A. Brodeur to nominate W. Malicki as Vice Chairman to the Commission.

FOR:

M. Bogis

T. Ryan

W. Malicki

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried.

VOTED: On a motion by W. Malicki and seconded by A. Brodeur to nominate M. Bogis as Chairman to the Commission.

FOR:

M. Bogis

T. Ryan

W. Malicki

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Comments from Commissioners:

R. Allen spoke of the quick response and professionalism of the firefighters at the Mallane Lane fire, last month, and the gas leak over the weekend, on Elm Street. He expressed his concern, and wanted to go on record about his concern about the need for more manpower. The Safer Grant was mentioned. A discussion was held.

Comments from the Public:

Burgess Liaison Fragoso thanked T. Ryan the fine job he did as Vice Chairman, and was glad to know he will be staying on; questioned what needs to be done to reapply for the Safer Grant; and wished everyone a happy, safe, New Year.

Chairman Bogis thanked the firefighters for the wonderful breakfast for the commission, and retiree's last

month.

Chairman Bogis handed out copies of the old and new Borough's Ordinance on Alarms from the Police Department for the commissioners to review to include the Fire Department.

Chairman Bogis mentioned that there would be a problem meeting next month, on the first Monday, as he and Wayne Malicki will be attending a class. A discussion was held. It was suggested that the meeting be moved to Tuesday, February 9, 2010. A meeting room will be looked into and the Commissioner's will be notified.

VOTED: On a motion by W. Malicki and seconded by S. Ruggeri-Thornton the meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

FOR:

M. Bogis
A. Brodeur
W. Malicki
S. Ruggeri-Thornton
Mayor Mezzo

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried

Respectfully Submitted:

Louise Ross