

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2010**

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

Absent from the meeting were Chairman Michael Bogis and Burgess Liaison Mindy Fragoso

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

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

VOTED: On a motion by B. Allen and seconded by A. Brodeur to accept the minutes of the August 2, 2010 Commission Meeting with some changes.

<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 B. Allen to accept the NFD Administrative Reports for August. A discussion was held.

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

By a majority vote the motion carried.

General Promotional Test Information

Chief Hanks reported that Bruce Davies was scheduled to come to discuss the general concepts of promotional testing for deputy chief. He will not be able to assist us with the testing for deputy chief/fire marshal position. He will still do the Fire Mechanic's for October. Chief Hanks said he could ask Craig Zendzian to do the testing for Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal.

Acceptance of the Acting Lieutenants List

Chief Hanks reported that three individuals took the Lieutenant's Test on August 20th and all three individuals passed Dave Christoff, Jason Alford and Greg McKirryher. They will be placed on the Acting Lieutenants List

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by B. Allen to place Dave Christoff, Jason Alford, and Greg McKirryher be placed on the Active Lieutenant's List.

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

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Correspondence

Mayor Mezzo read a letter from Tony Marques, the Chair of the Portuguese Club thanking the Chief Hanks, former Chief Doback, and the department for their professional assistance with a kitchen fire, and removal of the water from the sprinkler system in time to host a wedding later in the day.

Local 1219

President Ricci thanked Chairman Bogis (in his absence), Vice Chairman W. Malicki, and also B. Allen for attending the annual golf tournament. President Ricci congratulated FF Tom Moore for a great job collecting \$7,000 for the Muscular Dystrophy Drive; congratulated FF Sousa for becoming the Exchange Clubs firefighter of the year and Chief Hanks for stepping up to the Chief's position.

NEMAC

Chief Hanks reported that they had a meeting last month with the concerns of the impending hurricane. It was a good exercise to open communication lines and discuss plans for future disasters.

Plan Review

There were no plan reviews

Budget Transfers and Review

Chief Hanks reported there are no transfers.

Committee Reports

Fire Police – Chief Hanks reported on the subcommittee meeting. Chief Hanks introduced John Deer who spoke of his years of experience with the Fire Police and what they hope to do in the future. They plan to send out a letter to the general public, to encourage people to join, and combine the Fire Police, with the Safety Patrol and CERT team, and also keep the members to residents of Naugatuck.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by B. Allen to keep the volunteers for the Fire Police be from Naugatuck only.

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

W. Malicki
A Brodeur
T. Ryan
S. Ruggeri-Thornton
B. Allen
Mayor Mezzo

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Labor/Management – W. Malicki reported the committee met on Thursday September 2, 2010 and read the formalized committee's intention. A discussion was held.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by B. Allen to accept the Labor Management Committee.

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

W. Malicki
A Brodeur
T. Ryan
S. Ruggeri-Thornton
B. Allen
Mayor Mezzo

By a majority vote the motion carried

Vice Chairman Malicki asked for three volunteers for the Labor Management Committee. B. Allen, T.

Ryan, and Vice Chairman Malicki volunteered.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by Mayor Mezzo to accept B. Allen T. Ryan and Vice Chairman W. Malicki as the Labor Management Committee.

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

By a majority vote the motion carried

A discussion was held.

Promotional Process regarding the Deputy Chief

Chief Hanks and Vice Commissioner W. Malicki reported that the Deputy Chief position would also include the Fire Marshal position. And on the requirements; results of discussions with HR and the borough attorney, and the job description. Vice Chairman passed out the job description to the board. A discussion was held.

VOTED: On a motion by B. Allen and seconded by A. Brodeur to accept the job description for the Deputy Chief.

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

By a majority vote the motion carried

Acceptance of Bid for HQ Garage Door

Deputy Chief Hanks presented the bid by Naugatuck Garage Door for \$12,400.00.

VOTED: On a motion by B. Allen and seconded by A. Brodeur to accept the bid of \$12,400.00 from Naugatuck Garage Door.

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

By a majority vote the motion carried

Executive Session

VOTED: On a motion by T. Ryan and seconded by R. Allen to go into Executive Session at 7:47pm.

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

Mayor Mezzo

By a majority vote the motion carried

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 8:13pm.

VOTED: On a motion by B. Allen and seconded by T. Ryan to add to the agenda 14a – Position of the Interim Fire Marshal.

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

W. Malicki
A Brodeur
T. Ryan
S. Ruggeri-Thornton
B. Allen
Mayor Mezzo

By a majority vote the motion carried

VOTED: On a motion by B. Allen and seconded by A. Brodeur to send the Interim Fire Marshal's contract to the Mayor and the Borough Board to negotiate with Charles Doback for the position of Interim Fire Marshal.

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

W. Malicki
A Brodeur
T. Ryan
S. Ruggeri-Thornton
B. Allen
Mayor Mezzo

By a majority vote the motion carried

Comments from Commissioners:

T Ryan welcomed Chief Ken Hanks as the Chief. R. Allen welcomed Chief Ken Hanks as Chief. A. Brodeur welcomed Chief Ken Hanks, as Chief. Vice Chairman Malicki welcomed Chief Ken Hanks as Chief, and spoke of the education classes that are going to be held for the Alcohol and Drug Testing. A discussion was held.

R. Allen added that he was happy the Labor Management Committee was formed

Comments from the Public:

There were no comments.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by T. Ryan the meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm.

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

M. Bogis
W. Malicki
A Brodeur
S. Ruggeri-Thornton
R. Allen

By a majority vote the motion carried

Respectfully Submitted:

Louise Ross