

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Meeting Minutes
December 6, 2010**

Attending the meeting were Vice Chairman Wayne Malicki, Secretary Armand Brodeur, Commissioner Susan Ruggeri-Thornton, Alternate Commissioner Robert Allen, Chief Ken Hanks

Absent from the meeting were Chairman Michael Bogis, Commissioner Tim Ryan, 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.

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

VOTED: On a motion by R. Allen and seconded by A. Brodeur to accept the minutes of the November 1, 2010 Regular Commission Meeting

<u>FOR:</u>	<u>AGAINST:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
W. Malicki		
A Brodeur		
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 the minutes of the November 3, 2010 Special Commission Meeting.

<u>FOR:</u>	<u>AGAINST:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
W. Malicki		
A Brodeur		
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 the minutes of the November 18, 2010 Special Commission Meeting.

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

By a majority vote the motion carried

Fire Police

The Commission honored two Past Volunteer Firefighters John Deer and Denis LeVasseur with Certificates of Appreciation for their service signed by Mayor Mezzo, and gold badges. Vice Chairman Malicki introduced three Fire Police new members of the Fire Police Michael Day, Christian DeCato and Theodore Napoli, who will be sworn in the very near future. A discussion was held.

VOTED: On a motion by B. Allen and seconded by A. Brodeur to accept the Fire Police List.

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

By a majority vote the motion carried

Acceptance of NFD Administrative Reports

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by R. Allen to accept the NFD Administrative Reports.

FOR: W. Malicki
A Brodeur
S. Ruggeri-Thornton
B. Allen

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Correspondence

Chief Hanks read a letter from Patrick M. Corbett, Superintendent of The Connecticut Water Company requesting installation of a public fire hydrant between 438 May Street and 241 Lincoln Street. A discussion was held.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by R. Allen to approve installation of a public fire hydrant between 438 May Street and 241 Lincoln Street.

FOR: W. Malicki
A Brodeur
S. Ruggeri-Thornton
B. Allen

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Chief Hanks reported on another letter received from Patrick M. Corbett, Superintendent of The Connecticut Water Company regarding a private fire hydrant on Caitlin Circle, in Naugatuck, requesting we authorize the acceptance of a monthly fire protection charge of \$44.32 with the appropriate Town personnel. A discussion was held

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by S. Ruggeri-Thornton to authorize the acceptance of a monthly fire protection charge of \$44.32 with the appropriate Town personnel

FOR: W. Malicki
A Brodeur
S. Ruggeri-Thornton
B. Allen

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Local 1219

Local 1219 President J. Ricci thanked FF Bozzuto, Grotke, and Andrews for cooking for the Annual Retiree's Breakfast on December 4th. FF Chatfield thanked the Chief for use of the pick up truck for their successful Food Drive. FF Gallino thanked the Chief for the use of the pick up truck for their successful Safety Day and Toy Drive.

NEMAC

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.

Plan Review

Danielle M. Bercury of Hurwitz, Sagarin, Slossberg & Knuff presented plans for an addition to Wal*Mart. A discussion was held.

VOTED: On a motion by B. Allen and seconded by A. Brodeur to accept the addition to Wal*Mart, as

presented

FOR:

W. Malicki

A Brodeur

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

B. Allen

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Budget Transfers and Review

There were no transfers. Vice Chairman Malicki asked for a subcommittee to work with Chief Hanks on the up and coming 2011-2012 budget. A discussion was held. A. Brodeur volunteered with Vice Chairman Malicki.

Committee Reports

Fire Police – is still accepting applications.

Comments from Commissioners:

R. Allen asked about the Fire Marshal position. Vice Chairman Malicki reported that they met with Union 1219, and are going to keep the R. Weaver as Acting Fire Marshal and B. Scanlon as Deputy Fire Marshal until 2012.

Vice Chairman Malicki asked for volunteers for a subcommittee to review the preliminary requirements for hiring a Deputy Chief. B. Allen and S. Ruggeri-Thornton volunteered.

Vice Chairman Malicki reported that Firefighter applications closed December 3rd; testing will be December 18th, and interviews and hiring will take place on December 27th.

A. Brodeur commented on the Retiree's Breakfast, the Safety Day, on the Green, and what a fantastic job the men do.

S. Ruggeri-Thornton asked about Chairman M. Bogis absence from the Commission Meetings. A discussion was held.

Vice Chairman Malicki reported on two letters that were sent to the Mayor; one on the position of the Commission on the Fire Marshal position, and a second on having to meet in the Mayor's Conference Room which is very cramped. A discussion was held.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by B. Allen to meet in the Fire Department Conference Room for the next year

FOR:

W. Malicki

A Brodeur

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

R. Allen

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried

Comments from the Public:

Local 1219 President J. Ricci thanked Chief Hanks and Chairman Malicki with help on a personnel issue.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by S. Ruggeri-Thornton the meeting was adjourned at 8:46pm.

FOR:

W. Malicki

A Brodeur

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

R. Allen

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried

Respectfully Submitted:

Louise Ross