

Board of Fire Commissioners
Meeting Minutes
June 1, 2009

Attending the meeting were Chairman Michael Bogis, Vice Chairman Tim Ryan, Secretary Armand Brodeur, Commissioner Wayne Malicki, Fire Chief Charles R. Doback, Jr., and Mindy Fragoso, Burgess Liaison, Susan Ruggeri-Thornton sat in.

Absent from the meeting were Alternate Commissioner Robert Allen, Deputy Fire Chief Ken Hanks, and Mayor Bob Mezzo.

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

VOTED: On a motion by W. Malicki and seconded by A. Brodeur to accept the minutes of the April 6, 2009 meeting.

FOR:

M. Bogis
T. Ryan
A. Brodeur
W. Malicki

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

FOR:

M. Bogis
T. Ryan
A. Brodeur
W. Malicki

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Correspondence:

Chief Doback read letter from Susan Frechette, Deputy Commissioner of Environmental Conservation for the DEP, in response to a letter concerning the closure of the Spruce Brook Bridge for safety reasons and poor condition of interior forest roads in Naugatuck State Forest referring the Chief to Mr. Jay Young, the Project Engineer. A discussion was held.

Chief Doback read a letter from Gretchen Leeper, Administrative Assistant of Beacon Hose Co. No. 1 to announce its newly elected slate of line officers.

Chief Doback read a John F. DeBisschop III of the American Legion, Post No. 17. concerning disposal of American flags and their plans, in conjunction with Boy Scout Troup 138 and the Naugatuck Veterans Council.

Chief Doback read a thank you card to the department from the Noss Family for their help the night of their house fire 3/29/09, at 52 Irving Street.

Chief Doback read a card from Emily Raymond for his tour on *Student's Day* on May 19th. thanking him for a fascinating three hours, and tour, and information that shed light upon the world of firefighting.

Chief Doback read an email concerning a response to Mindy Fragoso concerning a water extension to the Eastside Fire Station from Jim Stewart in the Engineering Department.

Chief Doback read and passed around a thank you card from Mrs. Cohen's Maple Hill School Special Ed. students for his tour of the Fire Department.

Chief Doback read a request from the Union for a small patio at Eastside Fire Station and passed pictures of the plans.

Chief Doback presented bids received by Wendy Hozer, Purchasing Agent for the Borough, for the purchase of the 1997 Mac Rescue Truck and 1985 Ford Bronco. A discussion was held. .

Local 1219 Issues:

There was no representation.

NEMAC:

There was no representation.

Plan Review

Chief Doback presented plans for the development of Woodcrest Drive as it exists by Wayne Zerolli, representing Carlos Batista.

A discussion was held.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by W. Malicki to approve the plans with Lot 16, 17 and Parcel A being asphalted and Chief Doback's position on the additional hydrant.

<u>FOR:</u>	<u>AGAINST:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
M. Bogis		
T. Ryan		
A. Brodeur		
W. Malicki		

By a majority vote the motion carried.

VOTED: On a motion by W. Malicki and a seconded by A Brodeur to amend the agenda to include two additional items; the patio at the Eastside Station; and review the bids received for the used equipment.

<u>FOR:</u>	<u>AGAINST:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
M. Bogis		
T. Ryan		
A. Brodeur		
W. Malicki		

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Eastside Fire Station Patio

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by W. Malicki to approve the plans for the patio at the Eastside Station.

<u>FOR:</u>	<u>AGAINST:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
M. Bogis		
T. Ryan		
A. Brodeur		
W. Malicki		

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Bids for Used Equipment

A discussion was held.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by W. Malicki to accept the bids from Eagle Trucking and Auto Body, Inc., and Kenneth M. George, Sr., as submitted.

<u>FOR:</u>	<u>AGAINST:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
M. Bogis		
T. Ryan		
A. Brodeur		
W. Malicki		

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Budget Transfers and Review

Chief Doback requested to ask for a transfer from the Repairs to Building Account to the Eastside Fuel Oil Account.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by W. Malicki to allow the Chief to request the transfer.

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

M. Bogis
T. Ryan
A. Brodeur
W. Malicki

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Comments from Commissioners:

Chairman Bogis is going to appoint a Review Committee to for our two salaried people. It's going to be Chairman Bogis and Chairman Malicki. He asked for a third person to volunteer. Chairman Brodeur volunteered.

Chief Doback thanked the Commissioners for participating in the Memorial Day Parade.

Chairman Bogis spoke of combining the Safety Patrol, Fire Police and Citizens Emergency Response Team (CERT) under Deputy Chief Hank's direction, in order to manage the training and equipment more efficiently.

Chairman Malicki welcomed Mindy Fragoso back as Burgess Liaison, and Susan Ruggeri-Thornton, as the new commissioner. They will both be sworn in tomorrow night at the Board of Mayor and Burgesses.

Comments from the Public:

Mindy Fragoso thanked the commission for welcoming her back, and welcomed Susan Ruggeri-Thornton. She said that the Chief should be very proud of his Dad and uncles, all WWII veterans, who led the Memorial Day Parade. She requested a copy of the letter from the DEP concerning the repair to the Spruce Brook Bridge; questioned the zoning of Woodcrest Drive; the cost of extending the water line to the Eastside Fire Station, and the offer for the Safer Grant.

Discussion of the need for new equipment was held.

VOTED: On a motion by T. Ryan and seconded by W. Malicki the meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

M. Bogis
T. Ryan
A. Brodeur
W. Malicki

By a majority vote the motion carried

Respectfully Submitted:

Louise Ross