

**DRAFT**

Board of Fire Commissioners  
Meeting Minutes  
October 5, 2009

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

Absent from the meeting was Mayor Bob Mezzo.

Chairman Bogis called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. 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 September 14, 2009 meeting.

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

M. Bogis

T. Ryan

A. Brodeur

W. Malicki

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

By a majority vote the motion carried.

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

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

M. Bogis

T. Ryan

A. Brodeur

W. Malicki

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Correspondence:

Chief Doback read a letter from the Career Coordinator at Naugatuck High School asking the department to participate in Career Day on November 4, 2009. The department will participate with information and pamphlets pertaining to the training and education of firefighters.

Chief Doback read a letter from Asst. Fire Chief Michael Pratt of Beacon Hose Co. #1 for the department's assistance in a rescue of two hikers, at High Rock State Forest on September 24, 2009. R. Allen suggested copying the letter to the Burgesses for their review.

Chief Doback read a letter from Steve Milana of Maxton Technology looking to lease the Eastside Firehouse to construct a new antenna for internet use. A discussion was held.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by T. Ryan to approve moving forward on this.

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

M. Bogis

T. Ryan

A. Brodeur

W. Malicki

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Local 1219 Issues:

J. Ricci passed out a letter requesting consideration of Swift Water Rescue Training for the department. A discussion was held.

NEMAC:

Deputy Chief Hanks reported although the State is putting in place a statewide telecommunications system. After discussions with Fran Dambowski and Chief Edson they will recommend to the finance Board to stay with the Code Red System. Also, they passed their Annual Review with the Emergency Operations Plan with flying colors.

Plan Review

Chief Doback presented plans of a barricade to be placed on Hunter's Mountain Road and the State Access Road, in High Rock State Forest.

Chief Doback presented plans from Scott Dudas for 1347 New Haven Road. Plans are for businesses and a restaurant on the first floor; residences on the second floor. There is an issue with the existing well house on the Connecticut Water Company property on two sides of the lot.

Budget Transfers and Review

There were no transfers.

Drug Testing NFD – discussion and update

There was no update.

Committee Report:

W. Malicki passed out a priority list for Committee's needs for personnel and equipment for the department. A discussion was held.

W. Malicki reported on the findings of the Committee's requirements a Fire Equipment Mechanic Supervisor. A discussion was held

Comments from Commissioners:

T. Ryan apologized to the Chairman and Commissioners for not calling out for last months sub-committee meeting.

W. Malicki reported on a meeting he had with Deputy Chief Hanks and the Beacon Hose Co. No. 1. They commended Deputy Chief Hanks, Captain Alfes and FF James Ricci for their assistance in the rescue at High Rock State Park, as well as, FF Moore, FF Reilly and FF DeBisschop. A discussion was held.

Chairman Bogis reported that after reviewing the Local 1219 Contract; and with the advice of our attorney a decision has been made to move FF Seaman to Step 4, effective September 2, 2009.

VOTED: On a motion by A. Brodeur and seconded by T. Ryan promote FF Seaman to Step 4, effective September 2, 2009.

FOR:

M. Bogis  
T. Ryan  
A. Brodeur  
W. Malicki  
S. Ruggeri-Thornton

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried.

Comments from the Public:

Burgess Liaison Fragoso had questions regarding the tower at Eastside. A discussion was held.

Burgess Liaison Fragoso brought up the issue of new Jaws equipment. A discussion was held.

Burgess Liaison Fragoso had questions regarding the barricade on Hunter's Mountain Road. A discussion was held.

VOTED: On a motion by W. Malicki and seconded by A. Brodeur the meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm.

FOR:

M. Bogis

T. Ryan

A. Brodeur

W. Malicki

S. Ruggeri-Thornton

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

By a majority vote the motion carried

Respectfully Submitted:

*Louise Ross*