

MINUTES

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSION MEETING MARCH 26, 2019

A meeting of the North Haven Board of Fire Commission was held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 6:00 PM in the Training Room at Northeast Co4, 366 Washington Avenue, North Haven, CT.

Commissioners Present:

Pasquale Nuzzolillo, Chairman
Mary Jane Mulligan, Secretary
Peter J. Criscuolo, Commissioner
Joseph Cappucci, Commissioner

Staff Present:

Paul Januszewski, Fire Chief
David Marcarelli, Deputy Chief of Administration
Scott Martus, Deputy Chief of Operations
Yvonne Zilinski, Secretary

Commissioners Absent:

Michael Zuccarelli, Vice Chairman

Staff Absent:

None

Chairman Nuzzolillo called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Chairman Nuzzolillo welcomed everyone to the meeting and then led the attendees in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Criscuolo motioned, with a second from Commissioner Cappucci to approve the minutes of the Board of Fire Commission's Meeting of February 26, 2019.
Nuzzolillo – yes, Mulligan – yes, Criscuolo – yes, Cappucci – yes

Chief Januszewski discussed his Chief's Report. He spoke of EMS alarms; current budget, permit fees received and fire marshal office details were discussed. He added that E1 was out of service again with a blown head gasket it was determined to discuss this more in executive session. Training within the department was not discussed. The sick and injury report had nothing to report in executive session.

Brief discussion was had amongst the Board of Fire Commission with regard to Chief Januszewski's report.

Chief Januszewski had received a letter from Commissioner Criscuolo. Chairman Nuzzolillo also received that letter but first wanted to thank the residents of Quail Run on Elm Street for their questions and support of the Fire Department at a recent event that they held and asked Fire Chief Januszewski and Chairman Nuzzolillo to attend and speak with regard to the Fire Department.

Chairman Nuzzolillo then read the letter that he had also received from Commissioner Criscuolo which was addressed to First Selectman Michael J. Freda with regard to naming the Montowese Co2 station after the late Fire Chief "John E. Obier Jr." past Fire Chief of the North Haven Fire Department. The Board of Fire Commission will wait to hear from the Selectman's Office.

Chief Januszewski discussed the unfinished business in the department. He spoke with regard to the PSAR which is still a work in progress through the State of CT. Chief Januszewski stated he would need a motion to allow both himself and Deputy Chief Martus to speak at upcoming hearings.

Commissioner Mulligan motioned, with a second from Commissioner Criscuolo to resolve that Chief Paul Januszewski and Deputy Chief of Operations Scott Martus are authorized to testify at any upcoming hearings and act on behalf of the Town of North Haven and the North Haven Fire Department with regards to the PSAR hearings.

Nuzzolillo – yes, Mulligan – yes, Criscuolo – yes, Cappucci – yes

Chief Januszewski then continued with his unfinished business. He stated that the AFG Application process for a new Engine is still unknown; he spoke with regard to the training facility to be located at 366 Washington Avenue behind Northeast Co4 – GM2 has begun to design the plans for the facility; lastly, Incident# 18-4176 replacement items are close to complete and the department is currently looking for reimbursement.

Brief discussion was had amongst the Board of Fire Commission with regard to the replacement reimbursement of Incident# 18-4176.

Chief Januszewski spoke of the new business within the fire department. The purchase of the new Engine Pumper currently has the Engine Committee, made up of career firefighters, designing this Engine Pumper to specifically meet the specifications of our department.

Chairman Nuzzolillo asked if anyone had any public comments.

Miss Sally Buemi – Blossom Drive, spoke with regard to the agenda at hand as well as some concerns and misunderstandings of the new recruits and approval of possibly 2 more in the upcoming 2019/2020 budget. Miss Buemi also spoke more about the need for 16 additional firefighters and apparatus concerns. Lastly, Miss Buemi questioned plan reviews of businesses and inspections of existing buildings within the Town of North Haven.

Brief discussion was had amongst the Board of Fire Commission and with Chief Januszewski with regard to her concerns.

There being no further public business to come before the Board of Fire Commission, Commissioner Criscuolo motioned, with a second from Commissioner Cappucci to convene an executive session at 6:45 PM.

Nuzzolillo – yes, Mulligan – yes, Criscuolo – yes, Cappucci – yes

Chairman Nuzzolillo moved to reconvene the meeting at 7:12 PM.

Hearing no other public comment and having no further business to come before the Board of Fire Commission, Commissioner Criscuolo motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 PM. Commissioner Cappucci seconded.

Nuzzolillo – yes, Mulligan – yes, Criscuolo – yes, Cappucci – yes

The next Board of Fire Commission Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at Northeast Co4 – Training Room at 6:00 PM.