

Board of Fire Commissioners Regular Meeting
72 New Haven Avenue, Milford, CT
Tuesday, November 15, 2022

- I. **Call to Order:** Chairman McGrath called the meeting to order at 18:40 hours. A quorum was present.

Roll Call: In addition to the Chairman, Commissioners R. Smith, Brennan, P. Smith and Soda were present. Also present was Chief Edo, Assistant Chief Fabrizi, and Assistant Chief Waiksnoris

Absent: Commissioners Stein and Riso

- II. **Public Statements limited to the function of the Board of Fire Commissioners:**

None

- III. **Consideration of Minutes:**

Regular Meeting Minutes – October 18, 2022

Commissioners P. Smith and R. Smith made and second a motion to accept the minutes of October 18, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

- IV. **Communications:**

Commissioner R. Smith read a note from Local 944 regarding Toys for Tots donation. Chairman McGrath stated this can be added to new business.

Commissioners Brennan and R. Smith made and seconded a motion to amend the agenda to include New Business: Local 944 Toys for Tots. Motion carried unanimously.

- V. **Chairman's Report:**

Chairman McGrath congratulated the Firefighters that were sworn in, he also stated there would be an awards ceremony in the spring. There is no set date yet. Chairman McGrath wished the board and members of the department a Happy Thanksgiving.

VI. Committees Report:

- a) Personnel Committee: Chairman McGrath informed the board interviews for new recruits will be done soon.
- b) Maintenance & Equipment: none
- c) Safety Committee Liaison: none

VII. Chief's Report:

Budget – Chief Edo stated the budget has been submitted and will soon go before the Finance committee. The budget was increased by 7.9%, the increases were generally in the wages and education stipend.

New Hires – Seven candidates are in the process of being contacted for the next recruit class. As of now the academy has accepted seven for the academy from Milford. The second evaluation has been received for the current recruits, academically they are 95-100% which is at or near the top for the report cards.

Medics – Chief Edo informed the board two medics dropped their medical control this week. A total of six have dropped their medical control between this month and last month. Commissioner P. Smith questioned the total number of paramedics the department has now. Chief Edo stated there are twelve medics total including officers. Nelson has one medic on the ambulance and the department can currently ask for more if needed.

Lieutenant Test – The Lieutenant test is scheduled for December 7, the oral test is schedule for January 9.

VIII. New Business:

Local 944 Milford Professional Firefighters Toys for Tots Program –

A letter was received from the Co-Chairs of the Toys for Tots program requesting support for solicitation of donations throughout the area for residents.

Commissioner P. Smith and Brennan Made and second a motion to support the solicitation of donations for residents. Motion carried unanimously.

IX. Unfinished Business: None

- X. **New Equipment:** Chief Fabrizi informed the board that Tower 1 needs further repair. The vendor who is repairing it has to contact the manufacturer to get more information. Current repairs will be held off until more information is received. The timeframe for information and repair are unclear.

XI. Comments and Concerns of the Commissioners: none

XII. **Adjournment:**

Commissioners R. Smith and Brennan made and seconded a motion to adjourn at 19:00
Motion carried unanimously.