

Board of Fire Commissioners Regular Meeting
Commissioner's Conference Room
At Fire Headquarters
72 New Haven Avenue, Milford, CT
Tuesday, November 19, 2019

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman McGrath called the meeting to order at 19:16 hours. A quorum was present.

Roll Call: In addition to the Chairman, Commissioners Brennan, Stein and Weber were present. Also present were Chief Edo and Assistant Chief Fabrizi. Thoughts go out to Commissioner Stanford and her husband at this time. Thoughts were also extended to Board recording secretary Diane Stein and her mother.

2. **Public statements limited to the function of the Board of Fire Commissioners:**
None.

3. **Consideration of Minutes:** Regular Meeting - October 15, 2019
Commissioners Brennan and Weber made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 15, 2019 meeting as presented.

4. **Communications:** Commissioner Stein reported that the Department received the following communications:
 - i. A thank you from Mathewson PTA regarding the donation of lunch with a fireman as a prize for their Bulldog Run event. They were very appreciative of all the department does and its support of the school.
 - ii. A letter from Frank Rohrig reiterating his respect and admiration for all the firefighters who follow the retirees indicating in the letter that he is a retiree and thanking everyone who attended his wife's wake ten months ago. A special thanks to Assistant Chief Fabrizi for personally delivering his retiree decals.
 - iii. A donation from Jerry and Margaret Popel thanking the department for services given to them.
Commissioners Stein and Weber made and seconded a motion to accept the \$25 donation and deposit it in the Good & Welfare fund. Motion carried unanimously.

5. **Chairman's Report:** Commissioner McGrath officially welcomed Assistant Chief Fabrizi and extended on the behalf of the commission a Happy Thanksgiving to all department members.

6. **Committees Reports:**

a) **Personnel Committee:** None.

b) **Maintenance & Equipment Committee:** Commissioner Brennan stated that Chief Fabrizi gave a very comprehensive maintenance report. He also stated that department members are now keeping up with the maintenance themselves.

7. **Chiefs Report:** Chief Edo stated that typically when the ladder trucks are run, department members power wash them and clean the tubes.

Budget - The department budget was submitted with a 4% increase overall keeping the line as flat as possible. Vacation Relief, wages and educational stipend accounts were where the increase was requested.

Capital Budget - The Chief will submit for a new engine in February which will be identical to the current Engine 6 and replace Engine 8. Within the five year plan the department should receive two engines and a tower truck.

Recruits - The recruits just experienced live burns this week at the academy. They graduate on December 6 and are doing well, as expected.

New Car 4 - The new 2019 Ford F250 XLT command vehicle has been received and is currently having the communications equipment and lights installed. The signage and decals have been installed. The expected in service date will be mid December.

Commissioner Brennan asked were the pension line shows in the budget. Chief Edo stated this is in the actuaries and not in the Fire Department budget.

8. **New Business:** None.

9. **Unfinished Business:** None.

10. **New equipment:** Commissioner McGrath reiterated that the new Car 4 command vehicle is expected to be put in service by mid December.

11. **Comments and Concerns of the Commissioners:** None.

12. **Adjournment:** *Commissioners Stein and McGrath made and seconded a motion to adjourn at 19:30. Motion carried unanimously.*