

MINUTES

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

NOVEMBER 18, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 6:01 PM by Chairman Pasquale Nuzzolillo. Also present were Commissioners Sam Muzio, Peter Criscuolo, Michael Zuccarelli, Daniel Fleming, Chief Vincent Landisio and Deputy Chief Gersz.

Chairman Nuzzolillo asked for a motion for approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners held on September 23, 2009. Commissioner Muzio made a motion to accept the minutes of September 23, 2009. Commissioner Criscuolo seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Muzio-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

Chairman Nuzzolillo read the oath to Anthony LaVorgna of Montowese Company # 2. He thanked him for educating himself and for the commitment to the Town of North Haven. He also thanked his family.

The Chief's report was given; he spoke of items involving the department including alarms. Then he spoke of training that has been performed within the department. He talked about the recruit's graduation to be held on December 18, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. The evaluations of the recruits will be discussed in executive session, as it is a personnel issue. Chairman Nuzzolillo agreed. He thanked Northeast Company # 4 for painting their station. He then spoke of the Smoke Detector Program and the Fire Ops Class that was held at fire headquarters. He thanked the career and volunteer firefighters for their hard work and dedication to these two (2) worthy programs. Lastly, he stated there was an injury leave/sick leave report to be discussed in executive session, Chairman Nuzzolillo agreed.

Chairman Nuzzolillo on behalf of the Board of Fire Commission thanked Northeast Company # 4 for all their participation at their station. He then spoke of the smoke detector program and that saving the lives of our residents is most important. Thank you to all who participated in this wonderful program on behalf of the Board of Fire Commissioners. Lastly, he discussed the Fire Ops class and there was brief discussion by all commissioners and Chief Landisio. Sometime after the fire ops class was over a television program was taped by Commissioner Criscuolo and there were many discrepancies regarding that program. Chairman Nuzzolillo asked Chief Landisio to view the tape and the commission will discuss it at the next Board of Fire Commission meeting to set the record straight on the inaccurate comments that may have been made. Chief Landisio agreed. Brief discussion was had amongst the commission.

Chief Landisio spoke of correspondence in the department. Chief stated he had several correspondences that were received.

Chief Landisio spoke of unfinished business for the department. He spoke of the three (3) grants still pending in the department, the two (2) paramedics at fire headquarters progress as well as the paramedic program, AMR equipment for the department as well as Nelson Ambulance's offer to help the paramedic program, Firefighter II class's progress to be discussed in executive session. Lastly, he spoke of the H1N1 situation.

Chairman Nuzzolillo thanked AMR and Nelson on behalf of the Board of Fire Commission for their willingness to assist us in the paramedic program.

Chief Landisio then spoke of new business in the department. He spoke of the Poster Contest that is underway in North Haven. Lastly, he spoke of Firefighter Matt Lyon needing to carry over his remaining seven (7) vacation days into 2010. Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion to allow Firefighter Matt Lyon to carry over his seven (7) vacation days into 2010. Commissioner Muzio seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Muzio-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

Chief Landisio then spoke of the good of the department. He stated that Northeast Company # 4 had their 50th Anniversary dinner on November 7, 2009 at Fantasia. It was truly a spectacular event and thanked everyone who participated in the event. A ziti fund raiser benefit dinner was held at Ridge Road School by West Ridge Company # 3, was also well attended. Holiday parties are being scheduled for next month. Lastly, Santa runs are getting ready to begin for the holiday. Chief asked that anyone interested to call the Office of the Chief for information.

Chairman Nuzzolillo thanked Northeast Company # 4 for inviting him to the 50th Anniversary where he was able to thank many family members for all they do. Also, thank you to West Ridge Company # 3 for their fund raiser as well as a good time. Congratulations to both companies on a job well done.

Lieutenant Jeff Obier then spoke on behalf of Local 2987. He thanked all the members of the union for their dedication and hard work the day of the Fire Ops class, good job! Lastly, Tip A Firefighter will be held on Wednesday, December 2, 2009 and Thursday, December 3, 2009 from 5:00 – 9:00 PM at Outback to benefit the Connecticut Burn Camp. All are invited.

Chairman Nuzzolillo encourages the residents of North Haven to come out and support this wonderful benefit.

There being no further public business to come before the Board, Commissioner Criscuolo moved to convene an executive session at 6:44 PM. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Muzio-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

Chairman Nuzzolillo moved to reconvene the meeting at 7:08 PM.

Commissioner Muzio made a motion to accept the applications of Ryan Olson of Montowese Company # 2, Anthony Maisano & Todd Ricci of Northeast Company # 4 as probationary members pending medical approval, effective immediately. Commissioner Criscuolo seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Muzio-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Criscuolo moved for adjournment at 7:09 PM. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Muzio-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

Chairman Nuzzolillo then asked if there was any public comment, none heard.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Criscuolo, Secretary

The next Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting is scheduled for December 16, 2009 at the Park & Rec. Center in the Game Room at 6:00 P.M.