

MINUTES

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSION

DECEMBER 22, 2010

A regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commission was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Pasquale Nuzzolillo. Also present were Commissioners Sam Muzio, Michael Zuccarelli, Peter Criscuolo, Daniel Fleming, Chief Vincent Landisio and Deputy Chief Frank Gersz. Also in attendance was First Selectman Michael Freda.

Chairman Nuzzolillo turned the meeting over to First Selectman Michael Freda to read a proclamation for the Paramedic Programs first year.

First Selectman Michael Freda announced that December 22, 2010 was declared Paramedic Services Day. He then read the proclamation he had for the Fire Department. Lastly, he thanked all the paramedics and the department for all they do for the Town of North Haven. Chief Landisio then spoke of the paramedic program which started December 31, 2010. He also stated that an article will be coming out in the North Haven Citizen on the progress of the paramedic program. He then thanked all past and present who supported this program.

Chairman Nuzzolillo on behalf of the Board of Fire Commission thanked all involved for this wonderful program and stated that the residents, citizens and business owners have all benefited from this program.

Chairman Nuzzolillo then asked all to rise and have a moment of silence for the firefighters that bravely lost their lives in the Chicago fire earlier in the day.

Chairman Nuzzolillo asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commission held on November 17, 2010. Commissioner Muzio made a motion to accept the minutes of November 17, 2010. Commissioner Criscuolo seconded.

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

The Chief's report was given; he spoke of items involving the department including the alarms; training that has been performed within the department; he discussed the 2011/2012 budget proposal and the capital items needed for the department a brief discussion was had amongst the committee; lastly, he asked that the injury/sick leave report be discussed in executive session, Chairman Nuzzolillo agreed.

Chief Landisio spoke of correspondences in the department. There were two (2) letters received for medical emergencies from town resident's thanking us for our services.

Chairman Nuzzolillo then read a correspondence he sent to First Selectman Michael Freda on December 7, 2010 regarding the upcoming budget. He then read the letter he received as response from the First Selectman Michael Freda to meet on January 4, 2011. Lastly, he read a correspondence he received from Local Union 2987 President Jeff Obier regarding more manpower for an injured firefighter out of work. Chief

Landisio then stated the Town Attorney advised not to discuss this issue because they are currently in negotiations for the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Chief Landisio spoke of unfinished business for the department. He spoke of the Rules & Regulations committee still looking over the changes will keep the commission informed as they move forward; 2012 Parade Committee has had several meeting and are working with the State to get the parade route accepted; the Building Committee is almost formed with a first meeting coming up in January; contract negotiations with Local 2987 still exchanging proposals and then will move into negotiations; laptops/modems have some issues to be worked out to get up and running and the “I am responding” program is moving along. Lastly, he spoke of the accountability program with picture ids to be taken in January with all the information placed in the barcode.

Chief Landisio then spoke of new business in the department. He spoke of Company Nominations for the upcoming year and asked that they be discussed in Executive Session. Chairman Nuzzolillo agreed.

Commissioner Criscuolo spoke of running with 8 men instead of 7 men. Chief Landisio explained that they are currently in negotiations and are not able to address this at this time. Chairman Nuzzolillo agreed.

Chief Landisio discussed the good of the department. He stated that Local 2987 hosted Tip-A-Firefighter successfully on December 15th & 16th at Outback helping the Burn Foundation and it was a good job by all for a good cause; the volunteers delivered all the toys to Yale New Haven Hospital and St. Raphael’s Hospital, he thanked all citizens for donating toys and helping make this worthy cause very successful once again. Lastly, he stated with the holiday season approaching he wanted to wish everyone a happy, healthy holiday season – stay safe.

Chairman Nuzzolillo asked President Jeff Obier if he had anything he would like to discuss.

President Jeff Obier of Local 2987 stated that Tip A Firefighter was very successful collecting over \$3,200 for the Burn Camp. Lastly, he asked the commission to give some consideration to his letter regarding more manpower during their executive session. He also stated that the union’s attorney stated it would be ok to discuss this issue.

There being no further public business to come before the Board, Commissioner Criscuolo moved to convene an executive session at 6:27 PM. Commissioner Muzio seconded.

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

Chairman Nuzzolillo moved to reconvene the meeting at 6:40 PM.

Commissioner Zuccarelli made a motion to carry over two (2) vacation days from calendar year 2010 into 2011 for Firefighter Jason Cusack. Commissioner Muzio seconded.

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

Commissioner Muzio made a motion to accept Michael Kaefer into West Ridge Company #3 as a probationary member pending medical coverage. Commissioner Criscuolo seconded.

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

Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion that the current volunteer company officers for Company # 2, Company # 3 and Company # 4 all be reappointed for the upcoming 2011 calendar year, effective January 1, 2011. Commissioner Muzio seconded.

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

Chairman Nuzzolillo asked if there were any public comments. Hearing none he asked for a motion to adjourn.

Therefore, there being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Criscuolo moved for adjournment at 6:42 PM. Commissioner Muzio seconded.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Zuccarelli, Secretary

The next Board of Fire Commission Meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2011 at the Park & Rec. Center in Room 1 at 6:00 P.M.