

MINUTES

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSION MEETING

FEBRUARY 24, 2016

A meeting of the Board of Fire Commission was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Pat Nuzzolillo. Also present were Commissioners Michael Zuccarelli, Mary Jane Mulligan & Joseph Cappucci. Also present were Chief Paul Januszewski and Deputy Chief David Marcarelli. Absent from the meeting was Commissioner Peter Criscuolo.

Commissioner Zuccarelli made a motion to accept the minutes of the meeting held on January 27, 2016. Commissioner Mulligan seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Zuccarelli made a motion to accept the minutes of the special meeting held on February 2, 2016. Commissioner Cappucci seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Zuccarelli made a motion to accept the minutes of the special meeting held on February 16, 2016. Commissioner Mulligan seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes

Commissioner Cappucci could not vote on those minutes as he was absent from the meeting.

Chief Januszewski discussed his Chief's Report. He discussed EMS calls; training; & the current budget status. The sick/injury will be discussed in executive session.

Chief Januszewski discussed the correspondence – there was one (1) correspondence received within the department. Chief Januszewski stated that he received a letter from Richard Gelinas stating he was retiring from West Ridge Company # 3, effective February 8, 2016. Chairman Nuzzolillo on behalf of the Board of Fire Commission thanked him for his 65+ years of service to the department. He wished him well as well as good health in his retirement. He also thanked all the volunteers for all they do.

Chief Januszewski discussed the unfinished business in the department. He spoke of Co. # 3 & Co. # 4 which are in the final stages of being completed within the next couple of weeks with regard to community rooms.

Chief Januszewski discussed the new business in the department. He spoke with regard to the new Lieutenant of the department, Paul Brockett, who was sworn in on February 19, 2016; Prescription Drug Give Back Program will be held on April 30, 2016 using the fire department as the drop off site; lastly, mass casualty training has been held throughout the state.

Chairman Nuzzolillo spoke of the Swearing In Ceremony for the new Lieutenant which had a nice turn out and congratulated Paul Brockett on his promotion.

Chairman Nuzzolillo then thanked all the commission members for all their time spent at recent special meetings with regard to the interview process for both new recruit and promotional upgrade.

Chief Januszewski spoke of the good of the department. He stated the Town hosted a warming center during the weekend of February 13, 2016 at Montowese Company # 2 for a 40 hour period during the extreme cold weather. There was media coverage for the department and he thanked all the volunteers for their time and participation during this period. St. Baldrick's will

be held on February 26, 2016 with several firefighters participating; FF of the Year Dinner honoring FF Paul Brockett and Captain Reese Varney will be held at the Elks in Hamden on February 27, 2016; lastly, our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual carnival will take place June, 16, 17, 18, 19, 2016 at the North Haven Fairgrounds with all four (4) associations participating.

Chairman Nuzzolillo asked Local 2987 President Brian Marino if he had any comments at this time. President Marino stated he had none.

Chairman Nuzzolillo sent a thank you on behalf of the Board of Fire Commission to all the volunteers from all the companies who helped staffed Montowese Company # 2's warming center during those extreme cold days and for all their efforts as volunteer firefighters, they are truly appreciated by this commission.

There being no further public business to come before the Board, Commissioner Zuccarelli motioned to convene an executive session at 6:12 PM. Commissioner Cappucci seconded.  
Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Cappucci-yes

Chairman Nuzzolillo moved to reconvene the meeting at 6:53 PM.

Commissioner Zuccarelli made a motion to accept Brian Jooss as a probationary member of Montowese Company # 2, effective immediately. Commissioner Cappucci seconded.  
Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Cappucci made a motion to accept the leave of absence of Mark Welz of West Ridge Company # 3, effective immediately. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded.  
Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Cappucci stated that Chief Januszewski did an excellent job following up on the two (2) recent recruits with regard to the hiring process.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Zuccarelli moved for adjournment at 6:59 PM. Commissioner Cappucci seconded.  
Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mulligan-yes, Cappucci-yes

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane Mulligan, Secretary

**The next Board of Fire Commission Meeting is scheduled for will be held on Wednesday, March 23, 2016 at the Recreation Center – Game Room.**

**Minutes by Yvonne Zilinski**