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Town Manager

TOWN OF NEWINGTON

1485 Main Street Newington, Connecticut 06111

Board of Fire Commissioners

August 13, 2020

Company 1 Firehouse

1485 Main Street

Newington, CT 06111

7:30pm



Brian Whalen
Brian Gallagher
Kent E. Stoddard, Jr.
Fire Commissioners

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Minutes

- I. **Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Commission Chairman Gallagher. Meeting began with Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.
- II. **Attendance** – Commissioner’s Brian Gallagher, Kent Stoddard, Brian Whalen, Deputy Chief Jeff Trommer, Deputy Chief Craig Stegmaier, Deputy Chief Bob Regina, Council Liaison Chris Miner, Dan Durity, Crystal Trommer, Austin Muir, Anthony Carlson, Sal Garofalo, John Montano, Tim Jones, Nicholas Carlone, Walter Brideaux, Fire Marshal Guy Pelletier, Tim Lapierre, Vic DePamphilis, Melanie DePamphilis.
- III. **Public Participation** – None
- IV. **Approval of 07/09/2020 Minutes** – Commissioner Stoddard made a motion to approve the 07/09/2020 minutes. Commissioner Whalen seconded the motion.
- V. **Communications** – Monthly Reports
Department Promotion - Sal Garofalo
Membership Status-Thank you to Dan Durrity for great job with new Cadet membership

Commission Whalen went over the communications.

- VI. **Ledger Status** – Commissioner Stoddard made a motion to approve ledger. Commissioner Whalen seconded the motion. Discussion on making sure new equipment and materials get ordered in a timely manner.
- VII. **Old Business** - . Commissioner Whalen confirmed that the department member’s stipends will increase from \$1,000 a year to \$1,500 a year per the Finance Director.

Truck 2 will be tabled for next year’s budget.

VIII. New Business - Excellent job on storm response. This was noted by residents and Town Council. We are up to 78 calls and still counting.

Commissioner Whalen spoke about a possible stimulus from the federal government of \$13 extra per unit for calls during the storm. He will investigate more.

IX. Public Participation- Deputy Chief Trommer spoke about the radio system. Consultant has been hired by the town and has toured all of our town offices. A survey has been sent out to all town departments to complete. It is a work in progress. A final report is due by the middle of December.

Deputy Chief Trommer also spoke about the rust repair on Engine 2. It is complete and the repairs were much more extensive than expected. Company 2 did great job to get it back on line.

Personal thank you to Austin Muir for all his efforts to get us new furniture from the BOE.

X. Commissioner Remarks – All three Commissioners complimented staff on the great job everyone does and how it is appreciated and wants everyone to keep working together and being safe.

XI. Adjournment - Regular meeting adjourned at 7:55 to Executive Session.

Executive Session adjourned at 10:20.

Respectfully Submitted by: Sherri Leghorn, Fire Department Secretary