

# MINUTES

## BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING APRIL 25, 2023

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A meeting of the North Haven Board of Fire Commission was held on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at 6:00 PM @ Montowese Co2, 282 Quinnipiac Ave, North Haven, CT.

### **Commissioners Present:**

Pasquale Nuzzolillo, Chairman  
Mary Jane Mulligan, Secretary  
Jennie Caldwell, Commissioner  
Patricia Brown, Commissioner

### **Commissioners Absent:**

Vincenzo Gallo, Vice Chairman

### **Staff Present:**

Paul Januszewski, Fire Chief

Chairman Nuzzolillo called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Mulligan made a motion, with a second motion from Commissioner Brown to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commission held on March 28, 2023.

VOTE: Nuzzolillo – yes, Gallo – absent, Mulligan – yes, Caldwell – yes, Brown - yes

Commissioner Caldwell made a motion, with a second motion from Commissioner Mulligan to approve the minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Fire Commission held on April 10, 2023.

VOTE: Nuzzolillo – yes, Gallo – absent, Mulligan – yes, Caldwell – yes, Brown - yes

### CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Januszewski began and for the record stated that right before the meeting they swore in two (2) volunteers as permanent members of West Ridge Co3 - Ronnie Robinson & Jack Opramolla after completing their FF1 program, happy to have them.

Chairman Nuzzolillo thanked the volunteers that were sworn in for their dedication and willingness to volunteer.

Chief Januszewski then discussed his Chief's Report and spoke regarding the following: EMS alarms; integrating First Due program; current budget FY 22/23; permit fees received; staff shortages; fire marshal office details; lastly, he spoke of an incident that was dispatched for a building fire on a common road (could have been North Haven or New Haven) after calling both dispatchers, no incident found. Police are investigating this incident to see if it is fraudulent. Other items will be discussed in the executive session.

Lengthy discussion was had amongst the commissioners regarding the Chief's report. Questions about incidents, holding calls, and paramedic billing. Chief Januszewski responded to their concerns. Commissioner Brown acknowledged that the budget had a new format and gave more details.

CORRESPONDENCES:

Chief Januszewski stated he had no correspondence. Chairman Nuzzolillo read a correspondence directed to 1<sup>st</sup> Selectman Michael Freda dated 4/13/23 received 4/20/23 regarding the OSHA investigation results from the December 26, 2022, fatality incident.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chief Januszewski stated leased engine in station at West Ridge; E9 accident-repairs are close to being completed; lastly, engines ordered in May 2021 should be here in March 2024.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chief Januszewski spoke about Tower ladder being involved in an accident in beginning of April and was removed from service immediately. The bucket itself was damaged due to the accident, it was evaluated and needs repairs. At this time, Tower 1 will be out of service for another 3-4 weeks. Truck 2 was placed in service replacing Tower 1.

Brief discussion was had amongst the commission regarding the new business. Questions were asked about the need for a mechanic within the fire department to work on the apparatus.

Commissioner Caldwell asked, if possible, to get the paperwork for the meetings every month on the Friday before the meeting to be able to have more time to review ahead of the meeting. Chief Januszewski stated that would not be a problem.

GOOD OF FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Januszewski stated the recruits are doing very well up at the CT Fire Academy and the swearing in ceremony will be held on Friday, May 26, 2023, as well as others who have been promoted recently.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chairman Nuzzolillo stated seeing no public in attendance – there are no public comments.

Chairman Nuzzolillo asked for a motion to go into executive session.

Commissioner Mulligan made a motion, with a second motion from Commissioner Brown, to convene an executive session at 7:00 PM.

VOTE: Nuzzolillo – yes, Gallo – absent, Mulligan – yes, Caldwell – yes, Brown - yes

Chairman Nuzzolillo moved to reconvene the meeting at 7:35 PM.

Chairman Nuzzolillo asked if there was any further business to be discussed. None heard.

Chairman Nuzzolillo then announced when the next Board of Fire Commission meeting would be held. He then stated having no public comments and having no further business to come before the Board of Fire Commission, he asked for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Mulligan made a motion, with a second motion from Commissioner Caldwell, to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 PM.

VOTE: Nuzzolillo – yes, Gallo – absent, Mulligan – yes, Caldwell – yes, Brown – yes

**Reminder: The next regular Board of Fire Commission Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 23, 2023, at 6:00 PM @ Montowese Co2.**