

**Hamden Fire Commissioners
Administration Building, in the Large Conference Room
Minutes of the Special Meeting of February 15, 2011**

In Attendance: Henry Candido, Michael D'Andrea, Robert LaToracca, Richard Reilly, and Duane Wetmore. **Also in Attendance:** Fire Chief David Berardesca and Deputy Fire Chief Robert Surprise.

Call to Order: Chairman, H. Candido called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. Attendance was confirmed and then the agenda was reviewed.

Old Business: Nothing to present.

New Business: The Mayor's office sent a notice regarding the upcoming schedule of public forums, which the Mayor will be holding at various locations in Town. The Fire Commissioners are asked to share the information with residents. The schedule is posted on the Town's website.

Executive Session: Mr. Candido requested a motion to go into Executive Session. At 6:10 p.m. R. LaToracca made the motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose to conduct interviews to fill three (3) Certified, Entry-Level Fire Fighter positions. M. D'Andrea seconded the motion. All were in favor.

At this time, the Clerk for the Commission left the room. At 7:54 p.m. R. LaToracca made the motion to end Executive Session. D. Wetmore seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Mr. Candido requested a motion for nominations to appoint three of the candidates for the Certified, Entry-Level Fire Fighter positions. R. LaToracca made the motion to appoint Russell Quik, Michael Mordecai, and Stephen Postemsky to the position of Certified, Entry-Level Fire Fighters. D. Wetmore seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Mr. Candido requested a letter announcing these appointments to be forwarded to Personnel. At this time, the three appointees were welcomed back to the meeting. The Fire Commission congratulated the gentlemen. Mr. Wetmore made a special mention of how impressed he was of each of the candidates and the credentials, but he looks forward to seeing these three gentlemen work and perform an outstanding job for the Hamden Fire Department.

Mr. Quik, Mordecai, and Postemsky thanked the Commissioners in selecting them for the position. They will be giving their notice to the present employers and contact Fire Chief Berardesca of the start date.

Discussion with Department Head: Nothing to present.

Regular Meeting: The next Regular Meeting is to be held on Wednesday, March 9, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment: D. Wetmore made the **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. R. LaToracca seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Recorded by,

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