

***Town of Hamden Fire Commission
Minutes of the meeting
April 11, 2012***

ATTENDING—Henry Candido, Michael D’Andrea, Michael Iezzi, Donovan Shahid Abdul-Karim, and Richard Reilly.

ALSO PRESENT—Fire Chief David Berardesca and Deputy Fire Chief Robert Surprise.

CALL TO ORDER –

Chairman H. Candido called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and then reviewed the agenda for this evening’s meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – H. Candido entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 14, 2012. **M. Iezzi motioned to accept the minutes of March meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by M. D’Andrea. The motion carried unanimously.**

CORRESPONDENCE - Nothing to present.

DEPARTMENT REPORT –Department reports for March were presented and reviewed. The reports include the Training, Maintenance, and the report from the Fire Marshal will be delayed. The information reflects a very busy month, the same call volume as the previous month.

M. D’Andrea made the motion to approve the department reports for March. R. Reilly seconded the motion. With no further discussion, all were in favor.

MEDIA – Nothing to present.

OPEN DISCUSSION – COMMISSIONERS/DEPARTMENT HEAD —

H. Candido spoke of the current system that is in place when setting up the interviews with Fire Commissioners. Further discussion was held regarding the matter. He would like more notice of when the interviews are going to be scheduled. Mr. Candido requested more than three days to receive the candidate information prior to when the interviews are held.

Fire Chief Berardesca gave a brief update regarding the Sherman Avenue property. Attorney Coassin is in negotiation with the volunteers who have representation. The Fire Chief will provide the Commissioners an update at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS – Nothing to present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION -

M. Iezzi made the motion to go into Executive session for the purpose to conduct interviews to hire one Fire Lieutenant position. M. D'Andrea seconded the motion. All were in favor. At 7:16 p.m. P. LeMoine left the room.

At 8:10 p.m. M. Iezzi made the motion to end Executive session. R. Reilly seconded the motion. All were in favor.

H. Candido requested a nomination for the position of Fire Lieutenant. **M. D'Andrea made the motion to appoint Adam Barletta to the position of Fire Lieutenant. R. Reilly seconded the motion. All were in favor, no one opposed.**

A letter of the appointment will be made to Mr. Kelley in Personnel and the scheduling of swearing-in ceremony will be coordinated through Town Clerk, V. Morrison. The ceremony will be scheduled Monday, April 16, 2012 at 2:30 p.m., pending the Mayor's availability.

NEXT MEETING DATE – The next regular meeting will be **Wednesday, May 9, 2012, at 6:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held at Hamden Government Center, Town Attorney's Conference Room.

ADJOURNMENT –At 8:15 p.m. **M. Iezzi motioned to adjourn the meeting, and the motion was seconded by M. D'Andrea. The motion carried unanimously.**

Recorded by,

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