

Town of Hamden Fire Commission

Minutes of the Special Meeting

December 10, 2014

Attending: **Commissioners:** Henry Candido, Eric Curtis, Andrea Lobo, James O'Brien, and Richard Reilly. **Staff:** Fire Chief Berardesca and Deputy Fire Chief Merwede and **Clerk:** Patrice LeMoine.

Call to Order: Chairman Candido called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Chairman Candido requested a motion to approve the minutes of the November meeting. Mr. O'Brien motioned to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2014 meeting, and was seconded by Mr. Reilly. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of 2015 Meeting Schedule: The 2015 meeting schedule for the Fire Commission was presented for approval. Mr. Reilly motioned to approve the schedule and Mr. Curtis seconded. All were in favor, the motion passed.

In addition to this evening's interviews, Fire Chief Berardesca and Deputy Fire Chief Merwede screened 52 candidates for the new list of certified firefighters. All eligible and very strong candidates and they complemented the Department and to hopefully one day become a member of the Hamden Fire Department. We are going to hold at the January meeting interviews to fill five vacancies.

Executive Session: At 6:08 p.m. Mr. O'Brien made the motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose to conduct interviews for the hiring of one fire marshal and two fire lieutenant positions. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reilly. All were in favor. At this time, Ms. LeMoine withdrew from the meeting.

At 8:18 p.m. Ms. LeMoine entered the meeting. At this time, Ms. Lobo made the motion to end Executive Session and was seconded by Mr. Reilly. All were in favor.

Appointments: Mr. Candido requested nominations for the Fire Marshal position and the two Fire Lieutenant positions. Mr. O'Brien made the motion to carry one ballot for the appointments. Mr. Reilly seconded the motion and all were in favor. Mr. O'Brien motioned to appoint Mr. B. Dolan to the position of Fire Marshal and Messrs. D. Such and R. Lennon to the positions of Fire Lieutenant. Mr. Curtis seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Deputy Fire Chief informed the Commissioners that the swearing-in ceremony is scheduled for Friday, December 12, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. and will be held in the main lobby of the Hamden Memorial Town Hall.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting is Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting is held at the Memorial Town Hall first floor conference room.

Adjournment: At 8:25 p.m. Mr. O'Brien motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Reilly. The motion carried unanimously.

Recorded by,

Patrice A. LeMoine

Clerk for the Commission