

  
TOWN CLERK

FIRE COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 31, 2022

**Commissioners Present:** Chairman Delucia, Vice Chairman Coyle, Commissioner Popilizio, Commissioner Tomasello

**Staff Present:** Chief Marcarelli, Asst. Chief Rosa

The Regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commission was called to order at 7:02 pm.

A roll call was taken and a quorum declared.

**Minutes:**

A motion was made to accept the previous meeting minutes by Comm. Tomasello and Vice Chairman Coyle seconded.

Motion Carried

Unanimous

**Reports:**

Chief's Report: Chief Summarized, report is attached

Chairman Delucia asked if any Commissioners had questions on the report as presented. There were no questions from the Commission but all are happy with money being awarded and improvements can move forward on buildings.

Asst. Chief's Report: Asst. Chief Summarized, report attached

Vice Chairman Coyle questioned how many Volunteers are interior certified. Asst. Chief Rosa answered approximately 15, Chief Marcarelli did have that number and answered 19 are certified.

Commissioner Coyle also questioned if there is a program being considered with the High School for Firefighting. Asst. Chief did mention something was discussed with Retired Chief Norwood and will be considered in the future. Chief also mentioned we still have a Explorer Program in the Town.

A motion was made by Comm. Popolizio to accept the Chief's and Asst. Chief's Report as presented and Seconded by Comm. Tomasello

Motion Carried

Unanimous

Fire Marshal's Report and Training Officers Report are included in Chief's report activity log.

All reports are attached with these minutes.

**Communications:**

There were no communications presented this evening.

**Unfinished Business:**

There was no Unfinished Business presented this evening

**New Business:**

There was no New Business presented this evening

**Public Session:**

There were no Public Comments this evening

**Further Business:**

No further business presented this evening.

**Executive Session:**

A motion was made to adjourn into Executive Session per Connecticut General Statute §1-200, ET SEQ- Consideration of Battalion Chief by Comm. Popolizio and seconded by Comm. Tomasello

Motion Carried

Unanimous

Meeting adjourned into Executive Session at 7:23 p.m.

A motion was made to reconvene from Executive Session by Comm. Popolizio and seconded by Comm. Tomasello.

Motion Carried

Unanimous

Meeting reconvened from Executive Session at 7:48 p.m.

A motion was made to promote Captain Calhoun to Battalion Chief as of Feb. 2, 2023 by Comm. Popolizio and seconded by Comm. Tomasello.

Motion Carried

Unanimous

**Adjournment:**

Commissioner Popolizio made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Tomasello seconded.

Motion Carried

Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

**Next meeting of the Board of Fire Commission will be held on February 28, 2023 at 7 p.m.  
at the Foxon Firehouse**

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Apuzzo

Recording Secretary

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Chief's Report January 31, 2022

- I. Logistics
  - a. Squad 5 is in the dealer repair shop for warranty work.
  - b. New snow plow purchased for one of the departments 4x4 trucks
  - c. Thermal imagers arrived and are being installed
  - d. Second set of protective clothing was ordered for all personnel.
- II. Operations
  - a. The department is completing the year end report to include as part of the 22-23 budget package
- III. Finance
  - a. The 2021 Assistance to Firefighters Grant program recently opened and the department applied for hydraulic rescue tools
- IV. Buildings & Facilities
  - a. A bid was posted and awarded to replace the round windows at the peak of fire headquarters. They will fit the historic period of the building; they will take approximately 8 weeks to manufacture.
  - b. The next project for capital improvements will be for painting of the cupola at fire headquarters.
  - c. A list of ARPA projects was submitted for approval the department is hopeful these will bring significant upgrades to department facilities.
- V. Personnel Matters
  - a. Firefighter David Pearson started January 31, 2022. He will precept as a Paramedic until March and will attend the New Haven Fire Academy.
  - b. Firefighter / EMT Gomes-Colon is attending a live in Paramedic Program in Nebraska for the next 12-15 weeks.
  - c. 5 Firefighters who completed the Fire Academy are all on shift now significantly reducing the number of mandatory order-ins.

Sincerely,

Matthew Marcarelli  
Fire Chief