



STAMFORD FIRE COMMISSION

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Draft Minutes – May 21, 2024 Special Meeting of Fire Commission

Call to order: Commissioner Alswanger called the meeting to order at 11:07am

Roll Call: Present: Commissioner Alswanger, Commissioner Baker, Commissioner Hubbard, Commissioner Linares, Commissioner Munger, Fire Chief Morris. Also attending: Assistant Chief Robles, PSH&W Director DeRubeis (5/21/2024, Barbara Murphy, Administrative Supervisor

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Public Comment: N/A

Chiefs Report: Moved to end of the meeting.

Personnel Items: a. Interview & appointment Deputy Fire Chief candidates:

Motion: Commissioner Alswanger moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose of interviews of the following Deputy Fire Chief candidates *BRIAN OHLETH, CARL ALTON, RYAN KERWIN* and the related discussions there of, as the public discussion of same will result in the disclosure of public records or the information contained therein that are described in Connecticut General Statutes Section 1-210(b), at 11:09am. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Linares. Motion passed. 5 favor, 0 against. Commissioners Alswanger, Baker, Hubbard, Linares & Munger in favor. Those attending Executive Session in addition to the interviewees were Commissioners Alswanger, Baker, Hubbard, Linares and Munger, Chief Morris, PSH&W Director Lou DeRubeis A/C Robles, Barbara Murphy, Admin Supervisor.

The Commission came out of Executive Session and on the record at 1:20pm. No action was taken in Executive Session.

Motion: Commissioner Alswanger moved to appoint Ryan Kerwin to the 1st vacant position of Deputy Fire Chief, seconded by Commissioner Linares and approved by all. (5 in favor, 0 against)

Motion: Commissioner Alswanger moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose of interviews of the following Deputy Fire Chief candidates *DAVID HARRIOTT, JOSEPH DOMBROWSKI (VIA ZOOM), MICHAEL MCCULLAGH, PHILIP HAYES, DAVID DAVIS* and the related discussions there of, as the public discussion of same will result in the disclosure of public records or the information contained therein that are described in Connecticut General Statutes Section 1-210(b), at 1:21pm. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Baker. Motion passed. 5 favor, 0 against. Commissioners Alswanger, Baker, Hubbard, Linares & Munger in favor. Those attending Executive Session in addition to the interviewees were Commissioners Alswanger, Baker, Hubbard, Linares and Munger, Chief Morris, PSH&W Director Lou DeRubeis A/C Robles, Barbara Murphy, Admin Supervisor.

The Commission came out of Executive Session and on the record at 4:56pm. No action was taken in Executive Session.

Motion: Commissioner Alswanger moved to appoint Michael McCullagh to the 2nd vacant position of Deputy Fire Chief, Carl Alton to the 3rd vacant position of Deputy Fire Chief and Philip Hayes to the 4th vacant position of Deputy Fire Chief, motion was seconded by Commissioner Baker and approved by all. (5 in favor, 0 against)

Personnel Items: b. Interview & appointment Fire Captain candidates:

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Motion: Commissioner Alswanger moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose of interviews of the following Fire Captain candidates *STEVE KLEE, MARK RALSKY, STEVEN BORDONI, JOSEPH MAIDA, BRIEN MALLOY, THOMAS NEWMAN, THEODORE STANEK, BRIAN WHITBREAD, MICHAEL KERR* and the related discussions there of, as the public discussion of same will result in the disclosure of public records or the information contained therein that are described in Connecticut General Statutes Section 1-210(b), at 5:11pm. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Linares. Motion passed. 5 favor, 0 against. Commissioners Alswanger, Baker, Hubbard, Linares & Munger in favor. Those attending Executive Session in addition to the interviewees were Commissioners Alswanger, Baker, Hubbard, Linares and Munger, Chief Morris, PSH&W Director Lou DeRubeis A/C Robles, Barbara Murphy, Admin Supervisor.

The Commission came out of Executive Session and on the record at 7:22pm. No action was taken in Executive Session.

Motion: Commissioner Alswanger moved to appoint Theodore Stanek to the 1st vacant position of Fire Captain, Thomas Newman to the 2nd vacant position of Fire Captain, Brian Whitbread to the 3rd vacant position of Fire Captain and Joseph Maida to the 4th vacant position of Fire Captain, motion was seconded by Commissioner Hubbard and approved by all. (5 in favor, 0 against)

Commissioner Alswanger stated that the Commission meeting will stand in recess until approximately 10:00 am, on Wednesday, May 22, 2024.

Meeting recessed 5/21/2024 @ 7:24pm.

Commissioner Alswanger call the continuation of 5/21/2024 Fire Commission Special meeting of 5/21/2024 back to Order on 5/22/2024 at 10:14am.

Personnel Items: c. Interview & appointment Fire Lieutenant candidates:

Motion: Commissioner Alswanger moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose of interviews of the following Fire Lieutenant candidates *JAMES DUFFY, MICHAEL GALLAS, DANIEL MALARKEY, KEVEN O'BRIEN* and the related discussions there of, as the public discussion of same will result in the disclosure of public records or the information contained therein that are described in Connecticut General Statutes Section 1-210(b), at 10:15am. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Baker. Motion passed. 5 favor, 0 against. Commissioners Alswanger, Baker, Hubbard, Linares & Munger in favor. Those attending Executive Session in addition to the interviewees were Commissioners Alswanger, Baker, Hubbard, Linares and Munger, Chief Morris, A/C Robles.

The Commission came out of Executive Session and on the record at 11:59 am. No action was taken in Executive Session.

Motion: Commissioner Alswanger moved to appoint Keven O'Brien to the 1st vacant position of Fire Lieutenant with the effective date 5/23/2024, motion was seconded by Commissioner Linares and approved by all. (5 in favor, 0 against)

Motion: Commissioner Alswanger moved to appoint Michael Gallas to the 2nd vacant position of Fire Lieutenant with the effective date 7/1/2024, motion was seconded by Commissioner Hubbard and approved by all. (5 in favor, 0 against)

Motion: Commissioner Alswanger moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose of interviews of the following Fire Lieutenant candidates *ROMAN BALZAR, JOHN COLANDRO, PETER DEGNAN, DANIEL DEMASI, JAMES DOHERTY, CHRISTOPHER FORMAN, JAMES FOUNTAIN, CARL FOX, PATRICK GILL, ALAN HAGANDER, DANIEL HICKMAN, ADAM JAPHA, SEAN KEARNS, JEFFREY LODDO, CHRISTOPHER LORUSSO, ZACHERY MCARTHUR, DANIEL MEENAN, JOSEPH MICALIZZI, ANGELO RIEGNO, BRIAN SLATTERY, AND STEPHEN WALSH* and the related discussions there of, as the public discussion of same will result in the disclosure of public records or the information contained therein that are described in Connecticut General Statutes Section 1-210(b), at 12:02pm. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Baker. Motion passed. 5 favor, 0 against. Commissioners Alswanger, Baker, Hubbard, Linares & Munger in favor. Those attending Executive Session in addition to the interviewees were Commissioners Alswanger, Baker, Hubbard, Linares and Munger, Chief Morris, A/C Robles.

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The Commission came out of Exective Session and on the record at 5:37pm. No action was taken in Exective Session.

Motion: Commissioner Alswanger moved to appoint Carl Fox to the 3rd vacant position of Fire Lieutenant, Daniel Hickman to the 4th vacant position of Fire Lieutenant and Angelo Ripegno to the 5th vacant position of Fire Lieutenant, with the 3rd, 4th and 5th Lieutenant appointment having the effective date 7/1//2024, motion was seconded by Commissioner Hubbard and approved by all. (5 in favor, 0 against)

Adjournment: Commissioner Alswanger asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Motion:** Motion was made by Commissioner Linares, seconded by Commissioner Munger, and approved by all. Motion passed. 5 favor, 0 against. Commissioners Alswanger, Baker, Hubbard, Linares & Munger in favor. Meeting adjourned at 5:38pm