



# STAMFORD FIRE COMMISSION

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## Draft Minutes - Meeting of the Fire Commission held May 9, 2017

**Call to order:** Chairman Melzer called the meeting to order at 5:08pm

**Roll Call, Pledge & Moment of Silence:** Present: Commissioner's Melzer, Holmes, Hubbard & Lodato: Fire Chief Roach, AC Robles & AC Morris; Chairman Melzer asked the Commission to please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance & to remain standing for a moment of silence to honor those who have lost their lives in service to our Country and for those who continue to serve our Country.

**Public Comment:** N/A

Chairman Melzer stated that the Commission was going to take Item 7, New Business, first on the agenda.

**New Business:** Commissioner Lodato introduced the idea to create an additional position of Assistant Chairman so that in the absence of both the Chairman Melzer and Assistant Chairman Lyons, there would be someone next in line to Chair the meetings. Commissioner Lodato wished to nominate Andrew Holmes as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chairman due to seniority on the Board. Discussion took place.

**Motion:** By motion duly made by Commissioner Lodato, seconded by Commissioner Melzer, and approved by all, the Commission moved to create the position of 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chairman.

**Motion:** By motion duly made by Commissioner Lodato, seconded by Commissioner Melzer, and approved by all, the Commission moved to appoint Andrew Holmes as 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chairman.

**Chief's Report:** The Chief stated there were 828 incidents since the last meeting: 36 Fire Incidents, 6 were structure fires; 401 EMS incidents. The Chief stated 16/17 fiscal year is expected to close in the black. The new fiscal year, 17/18, is expected to be tight. The capital budget is expected to be tight. New rescue has been ordered from Pierce Manufacturing. Engine 5 is back at the vendor with a cracked pump and may have been cause while at the vendor last fall. This issue in the hands of Legal. SCBA program is moving forward with the new compressor delivered to the Mechanical division. The Chief stated the Captain's & Lieutenant's test are schedule for July for the written and with the assessment in August and hope to interview in September meeting. Discussion took place. The Chief stated negotiation with the Union over the weighing of the components for the Deputy Chief's and Deputy Fire Marshal exams will take place on Thursday. Training of EMT is finished, live burn training has started as required by OSHA, Officer 2 is underway in order to comply with the CBA as is CDL. The Chief stated that the OSHA complaint filed resulted in one "Serious Violation" and a penalty of \$640.00, related to the delay in annual physicals and an "Other than Serious Violation" related to issues in the written respiratory protection program for not spelling out items properly for the Career side of the Department. On the Volunteer side there were multiple "Serious Violation" for similar reasons as the Career and the penalty was the same for each Volunteer department. Discussion took place. AC Morris went in to more detail related to the Volunteer Departments violations.

**Budget Review:** N/A

**Personnel Issues:** N/A

**Update on Consolidation:** AC Morris gave an update on the training and classes and stated that they are working towards compliancy of all the OSHA issues. Commission Holmes as if the Commission would move to go into executive session to discuss the consolidation update.

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## **FIRE COMMISSION CONTINUED**

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**Motion:** By motion duly made by Commissioner Holmes, seconded by Commissioner Lodato, and approved by all, the Commission moved to go into Executive Session.

**Motion:** The Commission came out of Executive Session at 5:50pm. No action was taken  
Commissioner Hubbard left meeting.

**Minutes:** N/A

Chairman Melzer stated he would be absent for the month of June.

**Motion:** By motion duly made the meeting was adjourned at 5:52pm