



# STAMFORD FIRE COMMISSION

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## Draft Minutes -Regular Meeting of the Stamford Fire Commission held August 9, 2016

**Call to order:** 5:00pm

**Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence:** Chairman Melzer asked that all stand for the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in gratitude to all Uniformed personnel, past and present, who have served our Nation and our Communities.

**Attendees:** Commissioners Melzer, Lyons, Holmes & Lodato; Chief Roach, AC Robles, AC Morris;  
**Absent:** Commissioner Hubbard

**Public Comment:** N/A

### Chief Report:

- Incidents: 850 total incidents; 25 fire Incidents - 4 Structure fires; 412 ems incidents
- Budget: 2015-2016 Operating appears to have finished in the black, solid numbers will be out in October
- Apparatus: Engine 8 preventative maintenance; New Pumper has been received and working on equipment mounting; Engine 5 OSS Engine Long block; Fire Marshal division vehicles are in for servicing, looking to purchase new due to high mileage and aged vehicles. New skid pump unit is new and in service on the ATV Polaris and is in service at City events. New equipment being deployed recently are the positive pressure fans for T2 & T3, the new Dual Holmatro motor that is being installed on T1.
- Personnel:
  - Chief Roach Appointed as new Emergency Management Director (EMD). AC Robles, AC Morris & Director Jankowski appointed as Deputy Directors.
  - The TA/Contract signed with the Union & the City and has gone through the Boards, with all Boards approving. Two letters submitted to Board of Representatives regarding the TA/Contract from the Volunteer Chiefs were discussed. Chief Roach noted that Legal stated the venue to discuss any issues would be through the Fire Commission and that AC Morris will address with Volunteer Chiefs. Chairman Melzer stated that the Volunteer Chiefs are welcome to attend the Commission meetings and should bring items to the Commission via AC Morris and possible inclusion to the agenda.
  - One item of the new TA/Contract has been implemented with regards to staffing at Engine 8.
  - The department expects more retirements with the new TA/Contract.
  - Discussion took place regarding the Firefighter entry level certification listing and its expiration date.
  - The new TA/Contract have command standards and Chief Roach would like to have command standards for the Volunteer command.
  - New TA/Contract the probationary period was extended to 18 months.
  - New TA/Contract have requirements for promotions and they will be working on those aspects as well as other stipends and changes as outlined in TA/Contract.
  - Chief Roach stated that discussion with other towns has taken place on the possibility of having Regional exams.

**Consolidation update:** Firefighter 1 course complete and practical test done. 23 passed of which 13 were Stamford volunteers, belonging to Long Ridge & Belltown, and Springdale Volunteer Fire department(s). The written exam is next.

**Minutes:** By motion duly made the minutes of the July 12, 2016 meeting were approved.

**Adjournment:** By motion duly made the meeting adjourned at 5:31 pm.