



STAMFORD FIRE COMMISSION

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Draft Minutes -Regular Meeting of the Fire Commission held Wednesday June 5, 2013

Roll Call: Chairman Rizzuto called the meeting to order at 5:45pm. Those in attendance were: Commissioners Rizzuto, Freccia, Melzer, Perry and Tungaturthy (arrived at 6:09pm); Chief Conte; Absent: AC Smith

Public Comment: None

Fire Commission Committees: None

Fire Commission: Election of Chair & Vice Chair

The Commission thanked Commissioner Rizzuto for his time, contribution and dedication to the City of Stamford and the Fire Commission, serving effectively and honorably.

Commissioner Melzer moved to nominate Vincent Freccia as Chairman; motion was seconded by Commissioner Perry and approved by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Freccia moved to nominate Frank Melzer as Vice Chairman; motion was seconded by Commissioner Perry and approved by unanimous vote.

Corporation Counsel Capalbo issued a memo regarding the term of the Fire Commission, which, due to the Charter change, is now the same term as the Mayor. It was Mr. Capalbo's opinion that the Commissioner's term expired tonight and that the new Commission term is effective tomorrow.

Chief's Report:

- the end of the Fiscal year is approaching, the budget is on target
- the department is in the process of purchasing a new pumper by KME
- the Chief had a meeting with UBS to discuss donation to SFD. Could be substantial and may bolster apparatus
- the Rescue apparatus will cost approximately \$38,000 to fix
- the department physicals are pending, waiting to hear from HR; Chief Conte is concerned about the timing of physical and the possibility that it may create overtime should they be scheduled during the summer months when family vacations are planned due to school recess. Discussion took place.

Personnel Issues:

Interview(s) and appointment for the Position of Fire Marshal:

Motion:

Commissioner Freccia moved to go into Executive session at 5:54 pm to discuss the interview process. Seconded by Commission Perry and approved by a unanimous vote. (4 in favor, 0 against, 1 absent)

Motion:

Commissioner Freccia moved to come out of Executive session at 6:00pm pm. Seconded by Commission Melzer and approved by a unanimous vote. (4 in favor, 0 against, 1 absent) No action was taken.

The Commission, at the onset of each interview asked each candidate if they wished the interview to be open or closed. If the candidate requests a closed interview, the Commission moved to go into executive session, at the

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end of each interview the Commission moved to come out of Executive session. If the candidate elected an open interview, the interview was held in the open and not in executive session. The chart below reflects how each candidate wished their respective interview to be:

Candidate	Executive Session (Yes or No)
Antonio Forte	No
Walter Seely	No
Charles Spaulding	No

Motion:

Commissioner Freccia moved to go into Executive session at 7:23 pm to discuss & review interviews. Seconded by Commission Perry and approved by a unanimous vote. (5 in favor, 0 against)

The Commission came out of Executive Session after completion of interviews at 7:47 pm. No action was taken in executive session.

Commissioner Rizzuto asked for motions from the board for candidate(s) for the appointment of Fire Marshal.

Motion: Commissioner Melzer moved to nominate and appoint Charles Spaulding to the position of Fire Marshal. By motion duly made the Fire Commission appointed Charles Spaulding to the position of Fire Marshal. Seconded by Commissioner Perry and approved by unanimous vote. (5 approved, 0 against)

Minutes: No Action taken.

Adjournment: By motion duly made the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm