



CITY OF SHELTON
FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS' COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, January 8, 2019
7:00 P.M. Pine Rock Co. 4
722 Long Hill Ave.

CALL TO ORDER

Chief Francis Jones- Not Present
Deputy Chief Tim Hongo
Assistant Chief Joe Constantino- Not Present
Assistant Chief Nick Verdicchio
Assistant Chief Shaun Wheeler
Assistant Chief Paul Wilson- Not Present
Fire Marshal James Tortora – Not Present

ALSO, PRESENT

1st Lieutenant Pellegrino
Captain Zak
1st Lieutenant Pane
2nd Lieutenant Mattioli
1st Lieutenant Kosiorowski
2nd Lieutenant Motasky

FF Nathan Moniz

Assistant Chief Verdicchio called the regular meeting of the Officers' Council to order at 19:00.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance

B. PUBLIC PORTION- None

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Lt. Pellegrino, 2nd by Lt. Mattioli to accept minutes from the Aug. 14, 2018 meeting. Motion passed 9-0.

D.COMMUNICATIONS – Lt. Mattioli passed on a voice mail message he received from the resident of 33 Country Walk thanking the Fire Department for their efforts at the chimney fire at their home.

E. REPORTS

Chief Francis Jones – Not Present

Deputy Chief Tim Hongo– Nothing to report

Assistant Chief Constantino – Not Present

Assistant Chief Nick Verdicchio – Informed the council that more pagers have been ordered.

Was informed that our present mobile and portable radios are no longer supported and are not economical to fix. We will have to start looking into updating the equipment.

Continuing to evaluate future antenna sites.

Brightview Senior living located at 30 Beard Sawmill Rd. will be installing a repeater system in their building to help with our communications. Dates for testing will be scheduled.

Assistant Chief Shaun Wheeler– Reminded counsel that online I2`s are open.

Assistant Chief Paul Wilson – Not present, but would like to report the following:
1/13- Elevator Emergency Awareness class, 9am at Co. 3.

I2`s are scheduled and underway, let him know if additional dates are needed.

On line I2`s are up and running.

Presently working on an in house FF1 program.

Shelton will be hosting a Ct. Certified Aerial class at Co.5.

Fire Marshal James Tortora– Not Present

F. Committees

1. **Spec Purchase** – Nothing to report

Motion by Deputy Chief Hongo, 2nd by Lt. Mattioli to add under New Business, Radio`s and New Vehicle Replacement Plan. Motion passed 9-0.

G. OLD BUSINES

1. Dispatch- **Motion by Lt. Mattioli, 2nd by Lt. Motasky to remove from agenda. Motion passed 9-0.**
2. Apparatus Placement- **Motion by Lt. Pane, 2nd by Lt. Pellegrino to remove from agenda. Motion passed 9-0.**

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Helmet Colors- **Motion by D/C Hongo, 2nd by Lt. Mattioli to remove from agenda. Motion passed 9-0.**
2. Meeting Dates- **Motion by D/C Hongo, 2nd by Lt. Motasky to accept dates as posted. Motion passed 9-0.**
3. By-Laws- **Motion by D/C Hongo, 2nd by Lt. Mattioli to change #7 in the by-laws from 8 people to 6 people to have a quorum for a meeting. Motion passed 9-0.**

New By-Law to read: Regular meetings of the Officers Council will be held at 7:00PM on the second Tuesday of each month and the schedule of such regular meetings shall be filed with the City Town Clerk as required by the Freedom of Information Act. A quorum shall consist of a number, which is equal to six (6) of the members of the Officers Council.

4. I2- **Motion by Lt. Motasky, 2nd by Lt. Pellegrino to remove from agenda. Motion passed 9-0.**
5. Election of Officers- **Motion by Lt. Pellegrino, 2nd by Lt. Motasky to open up nominations for the Chairman and Vice Chairman positions. Motion passed 9-0.**
Chairman- A/C Nick Verdicchio
Vice Chairman- Lt. Mike Pellegrino

Motion by A/C Wheeler, 2nd by D/C Hongo to close nominations and cast one ballot in the affirmative for the unopposed offices of Chairman and Vice Chairman. Motion passed 9-0.

6. Homeland Security- **Motion by D/C Hongo, 2nd by Lt. Pellegrino to remove. Motion passed 9-0.**

7. Radios- Motion by Captain Zak, 2nd by Lt. Pane to investigate future radio replacement grants. Motion passed 9-0.

8. Vehicle Replacement Plan- General discussion about future vehicle purchases. A/C Verdicchio told the Council that he would ask the Chief for a copy of the Capital Improvement plan as it pertains to vehicle replacement so the Council can review.

I. REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE COUNCIL

A/C Verdicchio welcomed new members to the Council, and thanked D/C Hongo for his many years of serving as the Vice Chairman. Urged the Council to meet every month to have open dialogue among all the Companies involving all matters operational within the SFD.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Lt. Mattioli made a motion to adjourn at 20:06, 2nd by Lt. Pellegrino. Motion passed 9-0.

Respectfully submitted,

A/C Nick Verdicchio
Chairman
Officers Council

No tape available