



CITY OF SHELTON  
FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS' COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
Tuesday, May 14, 2019  
7:00 P.M. Pine Rock Park  
722 Long Hill Ave.

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**ALSO, PRESENT**

Captain Plavcan  
1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Pellegrino  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Scollin  
Captain Zak  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Mattioli  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Motasky

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 Captain Plavcan, 2nd by Lt. Mattioli to accept minutes from the April 9, 2019 meeting. Motion passed 9-0.**

**D.COMMUNICATIONS – None.**

**E. REPORTS**

**Chief Francis Jones** – Nothing to report

**Deputy Chief Tim Hongo**– Not Present

**Assistant Chief Constantino** – Not Present

**Assistant Chief Nick Verdicchio** – Working on getting more pagers and batteries (portables and pagers). Also, was informed by the Chief that work has started on putting together a grant for future communication equipment.

**Assistant Chief Shaun Wheeler**– Not Present

**Assistant Chief Paul Wilson** – In house FF1 program has started, quiz grades are good, attendance has not been so good. Will be addressed. Informed the Chief that new Haz Mat books will have to be purchased for the class. Reminded Officers that there will be a mock drill on Friday at SHS to coincide with Prom activities.

**Fire Marshal James Tortora**– Not Present

**F. Committees**

1. **Spec Purchase** – Chief Jones has asked the committee to start looking into a gear, air bags, and fit tester specs for purchase in the future.

**G. OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Dispatching**- Public safety committee has meeting scheduled at CMED on 5/15/19. Dispatching committee met, discussed some new protocols that they would like to see implemented. Will meet with Chief to discuss further.
2. **Membership**- Chief Jones reported that all four companies are now using same background check. This is currently done by choice. The BOFC may have this added to requirements for membership which will allow City access to backgrounds.
3. **Recruitment**- RR Mattioli is working on a price for door hangers and stickers. Car 1 would like posters placed at the heart healthy signs that have recently been posted.

## H. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Response to Calls-** Car 1 reports that this has improved, apparatus and response seem to have improved. Keep pushing forward. General discussion about keeping unneeded manpower on scene longer than needed.

## I. REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE COUNCIL

**Captain Plavcan-** Reminded everyone that there will no parking at the auto body across from Echo's.

**Lt. Motasky-** Stated his Commissioner is concerned about the lack of meetings by the BOFC due to lack of quorum. Lt. urged other officers to talk to their Commissioners about attendance so that business can move forward.

**Car 1-** Applications for the Deputy Chief position are closed. Only one person applied.

## J. ADJOURNMENT

**Lt. Mattioli made a motion to adjourn at 21:00, 2<sup>nd</sup> by A/C Wilson. Motion passed 8-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

*A/C Nick Verdicchio*  
*Chairman*  
Officers Council

\*No tape available\*