



CITY OF SHELTON
FIRE DEPARTMENT

Board of Fire Commissioners
MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Tuesday December 3, 2019
Shelton City Hall
Room 104
7:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present

Michael Maglione, Chairman
Michael Ullrich, Echo Hose, Company 1
Ben McGorty, Huntington, Company 3
Al Pereira, Pine Rock, Company 4
Anthony DeSarli, White Hills, Company 5

Also Present:

Fire Chief Francis Jones
Deputy Fire Chief Paul Wilson
Captain John Scollin, Echo Hose, Company 1
Charles Casey, Firefighter, Echo Hose, Company 1

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Maglione called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Captain John Scollin presented the Board a "Ride Along Policy" which had been approved by the Officers Council. He requested that the Board review the policy with the goal of implementing it for the department.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Commissioner Pereira to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 1, 2019; seconded by Commissioner McGorty.

A voice vote was taken; Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner McGorty to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of November 13, 2019; seconded by Commissioner Pereira.

A voice vote was taken; Motion passed unanimously.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

None

F. REPORTS

1. Fire Chief Fran Jones - On File
2. Fire Marshal James Tortora

Motion by Commissioner McGorty to send letter to Fire Marshal, Mayor and Administrative Assistant regarding lack of Fire Marshal activity reports; seconded by Commissioner Pereira.

**A voice vote was taken; Motion passed 4 - 1
Commissioner DeSarli abstained.**

3. Commissioner Maglione, Chairman - No Report
4. Commissioner McGorty, Vice Chairman, Huntington Company 3
5. Commissioner Ullrich, Echo Hose, Company 1.
6. Commissioner Pereira, Pine Rock, Company 4
7. Commissioner DeSarli, White Hills, Company 5

G. ADD ITEM TO AGENDA

1. **Motion** made by Commissioner Ullrich to add Ride Along Policy to New Business Item # 11; seconded by Commissioner McGorty.

A voice vote was taken; Motion passed unanimously.

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. Posting for Training Director and Recruitment and Retention Officer is awaiting approval of Administrative Assistant.
2. Echo Hose fire station - Furnace was looked at by Mayor and Maintenance Director, awaiting decision.
Floor sealing - Awaiting decision on cost.
3. Tax Abatement for members - Board waiting on research of why Board of Aldermen did not support this last time it came before them.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. Rescind Fire Chief appointment from November Fire Commissioners meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner McGorty to rescind Fire Chief appointment from November Fire Commission meeting; seconded by Commissioner DeSarli.

A voice vote was taken; Motion passed 4 -1 with Commissioner Ullrich voting no.

2. Reappointment of Fire Chief Jones to a 3 year appointment.
Motion made by Commissioner Pereira to reappoint Fire Chief Jones to a 3 year term; seconded by commissioner McGorty.

A voice vote was taken; Motion passed 4 - 1 with Commissioner Ullrich voting no.

3. Review of expenditures for the period of July 1, 2019 to November 26, 2019. This will be submitted to the Board on a monthly basis.
4. Marine 1 Report
Report prepared and presented by Deputy Chief Wilson. Insurance to cover loss. On File
5. Review paperwork/form used to request what fire companies would like included in the 2020 - 2021 budget plan. When is the request due?
Fire Chief works with Company Captains on this issue.
6. Recording Secretary - No action taken.
7. Reimbursement for Health and Safety Conference for Fire Chief.
Motion made by Commissioner Ullrich to reimburse the Fire Chief \$437.00; seconded by Commissioner DeSarli.

A voice vote was taken; Motion passed unanimously.

8. Review and Acceptance of Infection Control and Respiratory Protection Policies.
Motion made by Commissioner Ullrich to accept both policies, with the change of date and name of fit tester; seconded by Commissioner Pereira.

A voice vote was taken; Motion passed unanimously.

9. Apparatus Committee
Motion made by Commissioner McGorty that the Committee will consist of the following: Fire Chief
Deputy Fire Chief
Fire Department Mechanic
Fire Commissioner (1)
(1) member from each Fire Company
(1) Fire Chief's choice
seconded by Commissioner Pereira.

A voice vote was taken; Motion passed unanimously.

10. Quartermaster - No action taken

11. Ride Along Policy - Accepted for review by the Board.

J, EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

K. FIRE DEPARTMENT POLICIES

Chairman Maglione and Chief Jones will begin the process of review and revising Department policies for the approval of the Board.

L. ADJOURMENT

Motion made by Commissioner DeSarli to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner McGorty.

A voice vote was taken; Motion passed unanimously. 8:20 PM