



**CITY OF SHELTON**  
FIRE DEPARTMENT

**Board of Fire Commissioners**  
**MINUTES**

Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, March 3, 2020  
Shelton City Hall  
Room 104  
7:00 P.M.

**Commissioners Present**

Michael Maglione, Chairman  
Ben McGorty, Huntington, Vice Chairman, Company 3  
Charles Casey, Echo Hose, Company 1  
Al Pereira, Pine Rock, 4ompany 4  
Bruce Kosowsky, White Hills, Company 5

**Commissioner Absent**

**Also Present:**

Fire Chief Francis Jones  
Captain John Scollin, Echo Hose, Company 1

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Maglione called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**C. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Commissioner Pereira to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 4, 2020; seconded by Commissioner McGorty..

**A voice vote was taken; Motion passed unanimously.**

**E. COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Letter from Robert Finta, Fleet Apparatus Maintainer regarding inspection of 2020 Ram 4500 Cab and Chassis.

**Motion** made by Commissioner Kosowsky to add letter to New Business item number 5; seconded by Commissioner McGorty.

**A voice vote was taken; Motion passed unanimously.**

**F. REPORTS**

1. Fire Chief Fran Jones - On File

**Motion** made by Commissioner Kosowsky to accept the Fire Chief's report: seconded by Commissioner McGorty.

**A voice vote was taken; Motion passed unanimously.**

2. Fire Marshal James Tortora - On File
3. Commissioner Maglione, Chairman - No Report
4. Commissioner McGorty, Vice Chairman, Huntington Company 3
5. Commissioner Casey, Echo Hose, Company 1.
6. Commissioner Pereira, Pine Rock, Company 4
7. Commissioner Pereira White Hills, Company 5

**G. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Posting for Training Director and Recruitment and Retention Officer is awaiting approval of Administrative Assistant.
2. Echo Hose fire station – Nothing has been repaired or replaced except for overhead door openers.
3. Tax Abatement for members - Fire Chief Jones spoke to the issue. Research is being conducted. A final report is due at the April Fire Commission meeting. It will stay on the agenda for updates and any actions the Commission must take.
4. Apparatus Committee - Commissioner Kosowsky reported that the committee has been meeting and is moving forward.
5. Ride Along Policy – No action. Waiting on response from Corporation Counsel.
6. Marine 1 – Repair work has started. Boat has been gutted. Scuppers have been raised and a ball type of stop has been installed. Two bilge pumps have been installed with a remote alarm if units are not functioning.

**H. NEW BUSINESS**

1. February 2020 Financial Report - Report reviewed by members of the Commission
2. Insurance Coverage for Echo Hose Company SUV – No action taken by Administration.
3. ECHO HOSE Company 1, Workout room – Policy being worked on.
4. Background Checks – Nothing new.
5. Huntington Utility Truck ( Letter from Fleet Apparatus Maintainer) – Based on letter from Robert Finta and Fire Chief’s conversation with vender, Department will wait for new truck to be built. If this truck does not meet the specs a new bid will take place.
6. Vote to rebid staff vehicles (Chiefs and Shop)  
Motion made by Commissioner Kosowsky to rebid the staff vehicles; seconded by Commissioner Kosowsky.  
  
**A voice vote was taken; motion passed unanimously.**  
  
Motion made by Commissioner Kosowsky to move the rejection of the single bid for staff vehicles to item number 8; seconded by Commissioner Pereira.  
  
**A voice vote was taken; motion passed unanimously.**
7. ATV Cab and Sliding Shelf Truck 55  
Motion made by Commissioner McGorty to allow Commissioner Kosowsky to seek quotes on both items and present them at the next meeting; seconded by Commissioner Pereira.

**A voice vote was taken; motion passed unanimously.**

8. Vote to reject single bid on staff vehicles.

Motion made by Commissioner Kosowsky to reject the single bid on the staff vehicles; seconded by Commissioner Casey.

**A voice vote was taken; motion passed unanimously.**

#### **I, EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

#### **J. FIRE DEPARTMENT POLICIES**

#### **K. ADJOURMENT**

Motion made by Commissioner Pereira to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner McGorty. 8:05 PM

**A voice vote was taken; Motion passed unanimously.**