



CITY OF SHELTON
FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS' COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, March 10, 2020
7:00 P.M. Echo Hose Co. 1
379 Coram Ave.

CALL TO ORDER

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

ALSO, PRESENT

Captain Scollin
1st Lieutenant Pellegrino
2nd Lieutenant Mayer
1st Lieutenant Mattioli
1st Lieutenant Motasky
2nd Lieutenant Wheeler
FF Joe Pelaggi
FF Matt Perkowski

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. Mattioli, 2nd by Captain Scollin to accept minutes from the February 11, 2020 meeting. Motion passed 9-0.

D.COMMUNICATIONS – None

E. REPORTS

Chief Francis Jones – Stated that the AFG grant is ready for submission, has conference call with Grant Administrators tomorrow, possibly will be delayed due to Covid-19. Updated Council on Covid -19, reminded officers to monitor the health of their members, and keep him updated with staffing. We will continue to assist EMS; they will be providing us with the appropriate PPE when we arrive on scene. Fill out exposure forms if needed. Reminded Council that equipment, including SCBA masks should be cleaned after every use. Informed Council that M1 is currently under going its rehab at Beacon Point Marina. D/C Wilson will be out of state.

Deputy Chief Paul Wilson- Not present, submitted report via e-mail. Stated he was able to have a safety meeting the night before, but didn't give any details. Also reminded members about wearing their PPE, want Officers to lead by example.

Assistant Chief Constantino – Not Present

Assistant Chief Nick Verdicchio – Working on updating current radio inventory.

Assistant Chief Shaun Wheeler– Updated I2 list distributed to each Company. We will have 2 final Fit Tests after the Covid-19 settles down. City has taken possession of the two training houses on Hill St. No destructive training allowed. He is working with D/C Wilson on a city-wide RIT course.

Assistant Chief Mike Plavcan – Not Present

Fire Marshal James Tortora– Not Present

F. Committees

1. **Spec Purchase** – Chairman Verdicchio met with Commissioner Kosowsky to fine tune gear spec before sending out. Should be ready shortly. Will start looking into our inventory of airbags and form a plan for replacement, plan to bring in vendor to give assessment of our current inventory. Looking to update and standardize the high-rise packs. Each Company to do an inventory of what they have so we can see what we need going forward, so far no one has gotten back to him. Working on adding more rope equipment.

2. **Dispatching** – Chief Jones stated there was a meeting with CMED, discussion was about CAD interface. Meeting included representatives from SFD, SPD, and EMS
3. **Safety**- Nothing to report.

G. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Apparatus**- Chief Jones stated that contrary to rumors the original plan to purchase five pieces of apparatus is still in place. Delivery will be staggered, but all will be placed on referendum ballot
2. **Tax Abatement**- Lt. Motasky is still compiling data, discussed different options with Chief Jones. General discussion followed. Has been discussed with City, need more info.
3. **Sexual Harassment**- D/C Wilson and A/C Wheeler are working on a training program.

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Nothing

I. REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE COUNCIL

J. ADJOURNMENT

Lt. Mattioli made a motion to adjourn at 20:15, 2nd by Lt. Wheeler. Motion passed 9-0.

Respectfully submitted,

A/C Nick Verdicchio

Chairman

Officers Council

No tape available