

Board of Fire Commissioners' Regular Meeting

September 26, 2024

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 6:00 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall, 111 N Main Street Bristol, CT

Present: Commissioners Sean Moore, Anthony Benvenuto, Hal Kilby, Dana Jandreau, and Joyce Ptak, Council Member Cheryl Thibeault, Mayor Jeffrey Caggiano, and Fire Chief Richard Hart.
Present on Zoom: Board of Finance Member Mike Massarelli

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Moore at 6:00 pm and introductions were made.

2. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

- a. None.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a. Board of Finance Member Mike Massarelli introduced himself. He is the new liaison to the Board of Fire Commissioners.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. None.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- a. On motion of Commissioner Kilby and seconded by Commissioner Jandreau, it was voted: To approve the August 22, 2024 Meeting Minutes. Following a voice vote in which there was no opposition, the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

6. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS

- a. Chief Hart gave an overview of the monthly reports shared the new Engine 5 is on track for November 2024 delivery, and Engine 1 in April 2025. He shared that the street scape on North Main has caused a few issues with traffic and traffic patterns. Commissioner Moore suggested a meeting be held with fire, police, public works, and the mayor. Mayor Caggiano suggested a meeting of the Emergency Management Team, and advised he would get something scheduled. Chief Hart shared the department is starting to schedule activities for Fire Prevention Month and visits to the schools. He will provide a list of events attended in October.
- b. On motion of Commissioner Ptak and seconded by Commissioner Jandreau it was voted: To accept the August Monthly Reports. Following a voice vote in which there was no opposition, the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. A summary of the Fire House 3 Building Committee Report was given by Commissioner Moore. He shared that the pre-bid meeting was successful and bid are due to be retuned back on October 2nd. He gave an update on the Ordinance Committee and stated they were holding a public hearing and then going before City Council on October 8th to see if they are able to amend the ordinance to lower or remove the building fees for city properties.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. An update on the AFG Grant was given. There have been no results posted at this time.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. There was an oil spill into the boulevard. The Fire Department was not informed, but has the ability to assist in events like this. It was again stated a meeting of the Emergency Management Team would be put together to go over items like this.

10. ADJOURN

- a. On motion of Commissioner Ptak and seconded by Commissioner Jandreau, it was voted: To adjourn the meeting at 6:29 pm. Following a voice vote in which there was no opposition, the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

Recording Secretary: Sara Bianchi