

**City of Bristol - Board of Fire Commissioners
Meeting Minutes – Monday, February 25, 2019
1st Floor Meeting Room, City Hall**

Attendees: Hon. Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu, Chairwoman
Anthony Benvenuto, Comm.
Donald Goranson, Comm.

Dana Jandreau, Comm.
Sean Moore, Comm.
Sara Mangiafico, Comm.

Also Attending: Board of Finance Liaison Ron Burns

Absent: David Preleski, Comm.

Item 1 - Called To Order

Chairwoman Zoppo-Sassu called the February 25, 2019 Board of Fire Commissioners' meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Item 2 – Employee Recognition

There were no employee recognitions this month.

Item 3 – Public Participation

Carol Denehy, 252 Fern Hill Rd., Bristol, CT 06010

Carol Denehy stated that she wanted to thank the Board members for volunteering and being a part of the commission and that their work is very important. She noted her involvement at the Bristol Historical Society and the Memorial Military Museum both housed at 98 Center St. At 4:00 a.m. on November twenty-fourth she received a call from the Mayor saying that the pipes burst at the military museum and it was flooding. Upon her arrival she saw all of the fire trucks and the damage that had occurred. She stated that if it were not for the Bristol Fire Department there would have been even more damage to the Bristol Historical Society and the Memorial Military Museum if the fire department had not acted as swiftly to save the artifacts from the Jack Denehy Gallery. She wanted to acknowledge how much the Bristol Fire Department is appreciated.

Item 4 - Approval of the minutes of the January 28, 2019 Fire Board Meeting

On a MOTION by Comm. Goranson and SECONDED it was so moved to approve the minutes of January 28, 2019 meeting. Following a voice vote, in which there was no opposition, Chairwoman Zoppo-Sassu declared the motion carried.

Item 5 – Communications

There were no communications.

Item 6 - Approval of the Various Reports

On a MOTION by Comm. Moore and SECONDED it was so moved to approve the various reports. Briefly discussed was the absence of the Training Officer and if there were any proposals to get around this. Following a voice vote Chairwoman Zoppo-Sassu declared the motion carried.

Item 7 - Approval of the Incident Summary Report

On a MOTION by Comm. Moore and SECONDED it was so moved to approve the incident summary report. Following a voice vote, in which there was no opposition, Chairwoman Zoppo-Sassu declared the motion carried.

Item 8 - Approval of the Chief's Report

On a MOTION by Comm. Moore and SECONDED it was so moved to approve the Chief's report. Following a voice vote, in which there was no opposition, Chairwoman Zoppo-Sassu declared the motion carried.

Item 9 – Committee Reports

Budget Committee – Chairman Goranson

On a MOTION by Comm. Goranson and SECONDED it was so moved to ask the Board of Finance to approve the transfer request of \$2,000 from the motor vehicle service and repairs account to the motor vehicle parts account to provide additional funding for parts. Following a voice vote, in which there was no opposition, Chairwoman Zoppo-Sassu declared the motion carried.

On a MOTION by Comm. Goranson and SECONDED it was so moved to ask the Board of Finance to approve the transfer request of \$100 from schooling and education to the meeting and conference account. Following a voice vote, in which there was no opposition, Chairwoman Zoppo-Sassu declared the motion carried.

On a MOTION by Comm. Goranson and SECONDED it was so moved to ask the Board of Finance to accept \$4,020 into the revenue account for the Hap Barns Fire Safety account and also to appropriate these funds to the fire safety trailer repairs and maintenance account. Following a voice vote, in which there was no opposition, Chairwoman Zoppo-Sassu declared the motion carried. She further asked that a letter of thanks be sent to Betty Barnes.

On a MOTION by Comm. Moore and SECONDED it was so moved to acknowledge the gift from Betty Barnes for the 2019 calendar year. Following a voice vote, in which there was no opposition, Chairwoman Zoppo-Sassu declared the motion carried.

Building and Grounds Committee – Chairman Moore

Chairman Moore reported that an email should have been received from Lt. Mercieri that the stone wall at Engine 3 was hit again. This is a recurring problem.

Health and Safety Committee – Chairman Benvenuto

Chairman Benvenuto reported that the committee had met to discuss the wellness initiative, that it would entail medical surveillance also coupled with a fitness component. The Chief is going to look into other departments that have this in place and get an idea on the cost. A brief discussion ensued regarding how this would go forward.

Personnel Committee – Chairman Jandreau

Chairman Jandreau reported that the Personnel Committee met and are recommending that Bristol Fire Department as a whole be honored this year because of the two year Smoke and CO Detector installations.

On a MOTION by Comm. Jandreau and SECONDED it was so moved to have the entire Bristol Fire Department be honored at the Event. Following a voice vote, in which there was no opposition, Chairwoman Zoppo-Sassu declared the motion carried.

Strategic & Long Term Planning – Chairman Jandreau

It was noted that the Fire Dept. items were discussed at the 10 Year CIP meeting, and the next one is scheduled for March 4, 2019.

Item 11 – Old Business

No old business.

Item 12 – New Business

No new business

Item 13 – Adjournment

On a MOTION by Comm. Moore and SECONDED it was so moved to adjourn the Board of Fire Commissioners' meeting at 6:27 p.m. and it was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Jo-Ann Barrett
Recording Secretary Fire Board

cc: City Clerk
City Council
Local 773