



BRANFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT



Board of Fire Commissioners

MINUTES

February 22, 2007

The February meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was held on February 22, 2007 at the Canoe Brook Senior Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:25 p.m.

PRESENT – Chairman Massey, Commissioners Clem, LaCroix, Carfora, Chief Ahern and Asst. Chief Heffernan.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – A motion was made by Commissioner LaCroix to approve the minutes of October 26, 2006. Seconded by Commissioner Carfora. Vote unanimous. A motion was made by Commissioner LaCroix to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting on November 1, 2006. Seconded by Commissioner Carfora. Vote unanimous. A motion was made by Commissioner LaCroix to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting on January 9, 2007. Seconded by Commissioner Carfora. Vote unanimous. A motion was made by Commissioner LaCroix to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting on February 5, 2007. Seconded by Commissioner Carfora. Vote unanimous.

FINANCE – Chief Ahern and Commissioner Massey met with First Selectwoman Morris to discuss the budget. She requested several changes be made.

PERSONNEL – Per the Chief, two full-time FFs are out with long-term injuries.

TRAINING – Letters are going out to those who are not updated on their OSHA training. Commissioner Clem met with Captain Judd to brainstorm on several issues.

APPARATUS – Commissioner LaCroix commented that it has been an uneventful winter season. °He will report back next month on the status of the fire boat.

BUILDINGS – Commissioner Carfora reported that the boiler has failed several times at headquarters. °There has also been flooding at headquarters due to ice buildup.

PENSION AND COMMUNICATIONS – Per Commissioner Clem, the pension committee approved 24 FFs to receive their stipend, but are still waiting for two companies to get their information together.

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CHIEF'S REPORT/ASST. CHIEF'S REPORT – The Chief's office has been painted. °Part-time positions for Medic 3 have been posted internally at this time. °Holdsworth will be at the March Board of Fire Commissioner's meeting to discuss several issues. °All three ambulances are being utilized on a daily basis and the fourth will be up and running in the next 30 days

OLD BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS – DC Mahoney has been working on recessitating the Rescue Squad and has volunteered to help them with training, new membership and fundraisers. A motion was made by Commissioner LaCroix to have DC Mahoney be administrator of the Rescue Squad and to oversee this company in its attempt to be revitalized and become operational. Seconded by Commissioner Carfora. All in favor with the exception of Commissioner Clem who opposed the motion. °A motion was made by Commissioner Carfora to appoint Ellen King as Clerk of the Board. Seconded by Commissioner Clem. Vote unanimous. °A motion was made by Commissioner Clem to appoint Robert Massey Jr. as Chairman of the Board of Fire Directors. Seconded by Commissioner Carfora. Vote unanimous. °Per the Chief, there have been some problems with younger members (high school kids) who are struggling with their school work. A motion was made by Commissioner LaCroix for AC Heffernan to write a policy that they maintain their grades in school to be eligible to participate in the department. Seconded by Commissioner Clem. Vote unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT - A motion was made by Commissioner LaCroix to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Clem. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

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Clerk of the Board

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