



REGULAR MEETING – FIRE COMMISSION AGENDA

**JUNE 17, 2025, 3:00 PM
BY ZOOM VIRTUAL MEETING**

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- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
- II. **ROLL CALL**
 - A. **Mayor Harry Rilling, Fire Commissioner/Pastor Oscar Destruge, Fire Commissioner Rabbi Ita Paskind, Fire Commissioner Howard Dixon and Fire Commissioner Steve Ferguson**
- III. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
- IV. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**
 - A. **Regular Meeting: Tuesday, May 20, 2025**
- V. **REPORTS**
 - A. **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

- 1. Budget Report**

- B. ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF OF ADMINISTRATION**

- 1. Buildings**

- a. Station 1: Apparatus Floor**

Project funding was approved by the Finance and Claims Committee on June 12th. It has been moved to the BET Committee for approval.

- b. Station 4: Building Renovation**

Building/Facilities Management is drafting the RFP to contract an architect for the project.

- c. Citywide: Overhead Door Replacement**

All doors have been ordered. Installation will begin upon delivery.

- d. SCBA Compliance Upgrade**

Purchasing has approved the quotes for the equipment. They have been placed on the Public Safety & General Government Committee Agenda on June 26th for approval.

- C. ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF OF OPERATIONS**

- 1. Calls in May 2025**

- 2. Summary of Calls Year To Date**

- 3. Operations**

- a.** A busy month of Firefighter candidate interviews has resulted in four candidates being chosen and three onboarded for the August Connecticut Fire Academy class.

- b.** Our new highway attenuator truck, TAC1, has responded to 83 calls through the end of May and is serving its intended purpose of keeping fire personnel safe while operating on I-95, the Merritt Parkway, and Route 7.

- 4. Notable Incidents in May**

- a.** May 10th, Structure fire, 5 Elmcrest Terrace

- b.** May 11th, Mutual aid response, House fire, 124 Lukeswood Rd. New Canaan

- c.** May 13th, Structure fire, 19 Adams Lane

- D. FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT**

- 1. Summary of Activities**

- 2. Fire Marshal Fees**

3. Fire Marshal's Office Calls

E. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

1. Emergency Management Update

F. TRAINING DIVISION REPORT

1. Current Training Activities:

- a. Utilizing vacant structures on Renzulli Road and Westport Avenue for various non-destructive training activities.
- b. Ongoing operator training on Engines and Trucks, including EVOC Course
- c. Site tours of West Avenue apartment construction projects
- d. Completing probationary task books for new members

2. Completed Training Activities:

- a. Advanced SCBA Confidence Maze for all Stations and Platoons with theatrical smoke
- b. Deputy Fire Marshal Exam completed

3. Upcoming Training Activities:

- a. Fire Officer 2 certification course, fall 2025
- b. Use of Manresa Power Plant site for confined space training
- c. Hazardous Materials Operational refresher 3rd week of June, 2025
- d. Ongoing Annual Physicals

G. LOCAL 830 REPORTS

- 1. There are no items

H. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. There are no items

I. PERSONNEL

- 1. Drop Pension for Deputy Chief Stephen Shay
- 2. Drop Pension for Firefighter Elefterios Petridis
- 3. Drop Pension for Deputy Fire Marshal James Cocchia
- 4. Drop Pension for Firefighter Martin O'Marra
- 5. Drop Pension for Firefighter Todd Somma
- 6. Retirement Letter from Deputy Fire Marshal David Burrows

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. There are no items

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. There are no items

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, July 15, 2025