



## **REGULAR MEETING – FIRE COMMISSION AGENDA**

FEBRUARY 17, 2026, 3:00 PM

ZOOM AND 121 CONNECTICUT AVE, 3RD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

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Members of the public who wish to provide public comment are encouraged to submit those via email in advance of the meeting. For these comments to be included into the record, they must be submitted by 12:00 p.m. the day of the meeting. Please email Linda Shields at [lshields@norwalkct.gov](mailto:lshields@norwalkct.gov) with the subject line "Public Comment" to provide written public comment prior to the meeting.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
- II. **ROLL CALL**
  - A. **Mayor Barbara C. Smyth, Fire Commissioner/Pastor Oscar Destruge, Fire Commissioner Rabbi Ita Paskind, Fire Commissioner Howard Dixon and Fire Commissioner Steve Ferguson**
- III. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**
  - A. **Special Meeting: 01/20/2026**
- IV. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
- V. **REPORTS**
  - A. **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

1. Budget Report

## **B. ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF OF ADMINISTRATION**

1. Buildings
  - a. Station 4  
Building Renovation — Progress Report
  - b. Citywide  
Apparatus Exhaust Capture System Upgrade  
Fire Department Facilities Management Transition to Guardian

## **C. ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF OF OPERATIONS**

1. Calls in January 2026
2. Summary Calls Year to Date
3. Fire Apparatus
  - a. New Engine (Final design phase)
  - b. New Ladder Truck (Initial spec phase)
  - c. New Rescue (Build phase)
  - d. Refurb High Water Vehicle (Planning phase)
4. Operations
  - a. Cold Weather
  - b. EMS Annual Recerts
  - c. Training on new SCBA
5. Notable Incidents
  - a. Town of Westport (Mutual Aid-house fire)
  - b. West Rocks Rd (Chimney fire)
  - c. Norwalk River (Swan rescue)
  - d. Eastwood Rd (Attached garage fire)
  - e. Town of New Canaan (House fire)

## **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. Completed Training Activities
  - a. SCBA Training
  - b. CPR recertification
2. Current Training Activities
  - a. EMS Refresher (until Feb 20)
  - b. SCBA Maintenance class (some members)
  - c. PIO class (2 admin members)
  - d. Ongoing driver training
  - e. Ongoing record up keep (First Due program)
3. Upcoming Training Activities
  - a. HazMat refresher (March 1–16)
  - b. E3/Marine division plotting and charting
  - c. Meeting with promotional testing company
  - d. Planning live fire training in fall (ongoing)

**G. LOCAL 830 REPORTS**

1. There are no items

**H. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Letters (Attached)

**I. PERSONNEL**

1. There are no items

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. There are no items

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. There are no items

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Tuesday, March 17, 2026