

CITY OF NORWALK
FIRE DEPARTMENT



BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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COMMISSIONER RABBI PASKIND

FIRE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA

Date & Time: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 @ 03:00pm

Place: Via Zoom /Tele Conference

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES**
 - a. Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 16, 2024
3. **ACTION ITEMS**

There are no items
4. **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**
 - a. Budget Report
5. **ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF OF ADMINISTRATION**
 - a. **Station Alerting System Upgrade**
 1. Final system testing nearing completion.
 2. System cut-over scheduled after all testing is complete.
 - b. **State Radio System Migration**
 1. System cut-over scheduled to occur in February.
 - c. **Buildings**
 1. Station 1: Apparatus Floor
 - i. Preliminary assessment of the scope of work to replace the floor is in progress.
 2. Station 3: Apparatus Floor
 - i. Design work has begun.
 3. Station 5: Bathroom Renovation
 - i. Project nearing completion.

6. ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF OF OPERATIONS

- a. Our last three recruits from the 2021 eligibility list reported to the Connecticut Fire Academy on February 12th. Their training will conclude at the end of May.
- b. The company that ran our 2024 entry-level firefighter test is in the final process of scoring the exams. We plan to have results soon.
- c. Standard Operating Procedures are being written and updated to coordinate fireground objectives between our two truck companies.
- d. This month, OSHA issued new mandates pertaining to the fire service titled the OSHA Emergency Response Rule. This is the first such update since 1980 and, therefore, contains numerous regulations that affect many aspects of the fire service. I will be working with the City Risk manager and our OSHA Risk Specialist to make sure the NFD stays ahead of the curve in complying with the new OSHA Rule.

7. FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT

- a. Summary of Activities
- b. Fire Reports
- c. Fire Marshal Fees

8. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

- a. Emergency Management Update

9. TRAINING DIVISION REPORT

a. Current Activities

1. EMS Recertification Class all shifts and platoons through February
2. Engine Company Operator training for new operators (E1 and E2 new members)
3. Utilizing Hatch & Bailey Lumberyard vacant properties for "destructive training"
4. Ladder Company task books being worked on by Captains
5. Preparing members of Station 1 for the arrival of refurbished Truck 1
6. Wellness program/Injury Prevention
7. Readyng the new recruits for the upcoming Recruit Class 73
8. Radio system changeover training currently happening

b. Completed Activities

1. Mandatory OSHA Respirator training with SCBA (25 second drills)
2. SCBA fit testing
3. SCBA limited passage and emergency maneuvers
4. Elevator rescue training ALL SHIFTS/PLATOONS

c. Upcoming/Scheduled:

1. Gas detector training internally
2. Officer development workshops (shooting for spring '24)
3. With HHC chosen as our new medical provider, NFPA Compliant Physicals are being planned to begin in March 2024 once EMS recertification is completed.
4. Host CFA Pump Operator certification course scheduled for May 2024 (6-day class)

10. LOCAL 830 REPORT

There are no items

11. OLD BUSINESS

There are no items

12. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Occupational Bid Award

13. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. "Thank You" letter attached

14. **PERSONNEL**

- a. Drop Pension for Lt. Efstathios Papadopoulos
- b. Drop Pension for Lt. Michael Pirri
- c. Executive Session:
 - 1. Request for Disability Pension

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully Submitted,

Gino Gatto

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Fire Chief