

Enfield Fire District No. 1
Regular Commission Meeting Minutes
February 9th, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by President Vincent Grady.

Attendees for the Board:

Paul Meunier	Paul Benis
Gary Castle	Patrick Droney
Sean McGuire	Derek Chapin
Maureen Brennan	Vincent Grady

Chief Edward Richards and Deputy Chief William Higgins were not present due to a fire call.

President Vincent Grady acknowledged our sympathies in the passing of commissioner William Moran's mother and mother-in-law.

1st Public Comment:

John Alexander, 18 Overhill Dr., suggested that we not read the minutes aloud at the meetings and that we review them prior to the meeting.

Maureen Brennan read aloud the minutes from the January 5th Commission meeting. Motion by Vice President Patrick Droney and second by Paul Benis to accept the minutes as amended and the motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and discussed. In Chief Edwards absence President Grady advised to reach out to the Chief with any questions after the meeting. Motion by Maureen Brennan and second by Paul Meunier to approve the report as presented. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

The Fire Marshall report was reviewed and discussed. In the Fire Marshall's absence President Grady advised to reach out to him with any questions after the meeting. Motion by Gary Castle and second by Derek Chapin to approve the report as presented. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

The Training Officer's Report was reviewed and discussed. In Deputy Chief Higgins absence President Grady advised to reach out to the Deputy Chief with any questions after the meeting Motion by Vice President Patrick Droney and second by Paul Benis to approve the report as presented. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

The Chief's Report was reviewed and discussed. In Chief Edwards absence President Grady advised to reach out to the Chief with any questions after the meeting. Motion by Maureen Brennan and second by Paul Benis to approve the report as presented. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

Old Business –

Maureen Brennan states that the recently hired HR company rollout has begun. There was a slight delay due to the computer upgrades but it is underway now.

Vice President Patrick Droney advised the we have a date of 2/22/23 for the public information meeting about by the by-law changes. There will be a power point presentation noting the changes and the rationale for each.

Vice President Droney asked if we have plans to send an acknowledgement such as a donation or flowers in the passing of Commissioner Moran's mother and President Grady advised this has already been done.

Vice President Patrick Droney makes a motion to approve the informational meeting on the proposed by-laws for February 22, 2023 to be held at 7pm at Station One and there a second by Gary Castle. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

New Business:

Gary Castle commended those who responded to Enfield High School for a player with a head injury including Josh donor, and Patrick Carifa and two other fire fighters last Friday night.

Vice President Patrick Droney made a motion to waive the reading aloud of the previous meeting's minutes at the regular meetings and there is a second by Paul Benis. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

2nd Public Comment

none

There is a motion to add executive session to the agenda for personnel issues and litigation issues by Vice President Patrick Droney and second by Paul Benis and the motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

Motion to enter into executive session at 7:56pm by Vice President Patrick Droney and second by Paul Meunier. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

Commission is out of executive session at 8:32pm with no votes taken.

Motion to adjourn at 8:32pm by Gary Castle and second by Vice President Patrick Droney. Motion passes by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maureen Brennan

Clerk/Treasurer