



BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
TOWN OF NEWTOWN

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSION MINUTES  
Regular Meeting of May 20, 2019 at 7:00 pm  
Newtown Hook & Ladder -12 Church Hill Rd. Newtown , CT. 06470

**Meeting Opened By:** Pat Reilly, Chairman at 7:00 pm

**Commissioners Present:** Pat Reilly, Ron Bolmer, Tim Whelan, Jeff Dugan, Bob Kick, Tim Gies

**Marshal's Present:** Rich Frampton, Dave Ober and Jamilynn Zapata

**Chiefs Present:** Chris Ward, John Basso, Bill Halstead, Andrew White

**Chairman's Comments:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** Regular Meeting March 25, 2019

Motion made to accept made by: Tim Whelan

Seconded by: Jeff Dugan

Motion passed unanimously

**Correspondence from the Board:** None

**Correspondence to the Board:**

Newtown Lions Club donation to combined fire companies

Newtown Women's Club donation to combined fire companies

**Public Participation:**

**Marshal's Report:** - Reported by FM Rich Frampton -see attached March and April

**Marshal's Remarks:** None

**Purchasing Agent:** No Report- Two transfers were made:

\$5,000. from Oil into Repairs and Maintenance accounts

\$4,000. From HR physicals to BOFC Physical account

**Presentation made by the Lions Club** (Members Kevin Corey and Bruce Walzak, President)

They presented each of the 5 Fire Companies with a generous donation of \$300.00. It is very much appreciated. The Fire Companies and the Board of Fire Commissioners thank them.

**Combined Chiefs:** No Meeting- Radio- Bill Halstead reported that they had a conference call meeting and presented to Norcom some questions, they are in the process of planning a face to face meeting in the next week or so to go over their comments to the asked questions. There was conversation about going out to bid or using the State contract and also about using a consultant when the times come to write the spec.

## Reports from Standing Committees

- **Policy & Procedures Committee:** Bob Kick made reference to the SOP's that had been updated and typed in a word based format. Once all have been updated and retyped in this format, we will put a link on the BOFC Town Page for easy access and easy changes without the need for copies to be made, also at any time get up to date procedures. Will break them up into 2 sections, Administrative and Operational.
- **Radio & Hydrant Committee:** Ron Bolmer had nothing more to add on the Radios.  
HYDRANTS: Suppression issues (Clogged) will be addressed and Dry Hydrants (Butterfield) are still being looked at.  
In Hawleyville a developer will be installing a dry hydrant on Hawleyville Rd.  
Ron is also looking at a few ponds to see if they are viable for a dry hydrant.  
Repairs – Hattertown, Wentworth (confined space), Misty Vale, Russet Rd (Lower Tank) Jordan Hill needs to be clean up.
- **Truck Committee:** Tim Whelan-  
Started oil changes at the town garage and that will be ongoing.  
Tracey's will be doing the pump tests and DOTS –Hawleyville's truck is there and it will have the tests done.  
Ask Chief engineers to compile lists of any issues that can be addressed while the pump tests are being done. Tim will review to determine if Highway or Tracey's will make those repairs.  
Tankers (Dodgingtown and Botsford) are having air compressor issues (Check Valve), Ron made appointment to bring them to be looked at Bruce Taylor the dealer with Four Guys.  
Also will take a look at the back compartment for warping.
- **Budget Committee:** No Report
- **NUSAR** – No Report

**Old Business:** Tim- We previously have spoken about Sandy Hook, Botsford and Hawleyville re-cooping the additional funding spent to outfit the tankers-

Botsford spent about \$10,000., Sandy Hook spent approx. \$8,000.00 and Dodgingtown approx. \$ 2,000.00. Pat will check with Steve Murphy on totals of accounts at end of fiscal year.

### **New Business:**

**Hawleyville tanker update / timeline** – Tim Whelan talked to Chief Basso, there is a price for a Peirce Enforcer 4 Man Cab- 1250 pump- match the spec of other Tankers of \$595,000. There is \$575,000.00 but there would be funds from the sale of the old tanker.

Tim talked to Bob Tait about how to get the CIP Bonded money, there is a procedure that needs to be followed and Tim will email that procedure to Pat Reilly (after July).

Firematic will need to show break down of pricing- base price, options etc. Tim will continue to look at pricing for savings.

Delivery of truck will be 270 days from date of P.O.

Discussion on any dispatch issues: Tim Gies brought up again concerns about dispatch issues, still asking that Chiefs document (in writing) problems.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:36pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy Schreiner, BOFC Clerk



TYPE OF CALL	HOW MANY	TYPE/DATE	DESCRIPTION	\$ LOSS	~
ALARMS	29	STRUCTURE			
ANIMAL RESCUE (ICE RESCUE)	0	3/2/2019	30 Greenbriar Lane	100,000.00	
ELECTRICAL WIRES/ TREES ON WIRES	3				
BRUSH	1				
CONTROLLED/ILLEGAL BURNING	3	VEHICLES			
C.O. DETECTOR	3				
FALSE CALLS	0				
HAZ-MAT	2				
MUTUAL AID	2				
STRUCTURES	1				
RESCUE	0	APPLIANCE			
EMS/MEDICAL	16				
SERVICE/GOOD INTENT	0				
SMOKE/ODOR SCARE	6				
VEHICLES	0	OTHER			
EXTRICATION	1				
MVA	11				
WATER EVACUATION/PUMP OUT	1				
CHIMNEY	2				
OTHER-(lighting strike)	2				
PUBLIC SERVICE	2				
APPLIANCE	0				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>		
<b>FIRE COMPANY RESPONSE TOTALS</b>					
	5130	NEWTOWN HOOK & LADDER	MONTH	YTD	
			55	168	
	5131	BOTSFORD FIRE RESCUE	30	83	
	5132	DODGINGTOWN FIRE	12	54	
	5133	HAWLEYVILLE FIRE	17	47	
	5134	SANDY HOOK VOL. FIRE & RESCUE	24	121	
			137	473	

Fire Company's Calls 85

The Fire Marshals had 358 incidents and 340. Hours worked.

Permits: 0 blasting \$00.00., 1 tanks \$20.00, 16 burn\$80.00, 0 reports \$0.00 Total \$100.00

## FIRE MARSHAL'S COMBINED MONTHLY TIME SUMMARY

	CATEGORY	INCIDENTS	HOURS
A	FIRE CALLS	12	
B	FIRE INVESTIGATION	2	
C	FOLLOW UP INVEST.	0	
D	BUILDING & SITE		
	1. Building Inspections	29	
	2. Site Inspections	27	
	3. C.O. Inspections	7	
	4. Suppression & Dry Hyd	0	
	5. Tank Removals	0	
	6. Burn Permits	3	
E	FOLLOW UP INSPECTIONS	2	
F	OFFICE	210	
G	COURT APPEARANCE	0	
H	PLAN REVIEWS	5	
I	TRAINING	1	
J	PURCHASING	49	
O	OTHER-Rich	3	
O	OTHER-Steve	6	
O	OTHER- Dave	0	
O	OTHER-Jamilynn	2	
	TOTAL	358	340
Rich	NSB- 3 Deposits		
Steve	burning complaint- 19 Sawmill knox box key- 164 & 170 mt. pleasant map hydrants- Nunnawalk Meadows DRILL- CAC map hydrants- various		
Dave			
Jami	assist with 2 inspections		
March 2019 Reporting Month			
		Marshal's Signature	




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ANIMAL RESCUE (ICE RESCUE)	0				
ELECTRICAL WIRES/ TREES ON WIRES	11				
BRUSH	3				
CONTROLLED/ILLEGAL BURNING	6	VEHICLES			
C.O. DETECTOR	5	4/1/2019	31 Queen St. Audi & Garage	10,000.00	
FALSE CALLS	0			5,000	
HAZ-MAT	0				
MUTUAL AID	3				
STRUCTURES	0				
RESCUE	0	APPLIANCE			
EMS/MEDICAL	17	4/18/2019	landfil equipment	\$300	
SERVICE/GOOD INTENT	0				
SMOKE/ODOR SCARE	5				
VEHICLES	1	OTHER			
EXTRICATION	0				
MVA	17				
WATER EVACUATION/PUMP OUT	0				
CHIMNEY	0				
OTHER-(lighting strike)	0				
PUBLIC SERVICE	5				
APPLIANCE	1				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>104</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$15,300</b>	
			<b>FIRE COMPANY RESPONSE TOTALS</b>	<b>MONTH</b>	<b>YTD</b>
		5130	NEWTOWN HOOK & LADDER	48	216
		5131	BOTSFORD FIRE RESCUE	18	101
		5132	DODGINGTOWN FIRE	17	71
		5133	HAWLEYVILLE FIRE	23	71
		5134	SANDY HOOK VOL. FIRE & RESCUE	41	162
				147	621

Fire Company's Calls 104

The Fire Marshals had 380 incidents and 364.5. Hours worked.

Permits: 0 blasting \$00.00, 4 tanks \$80.00, 0 burn\$0.00, 1 reports \$5.00 Total \$85.00

## FIRE MARSHAL'S COMBINED MONTHLY TIME SUMMARY

CODE	CATEGORY	INCIDENTS	HOURS
A	FIRE CALLS	13	
B	FIRE INVESTIGATION	1	
C	FOLLOW UP INVEST.	0	
D	BUILDING & SITE		
	1. Building Inspections	33	
	2. Site Inspections	23	
	3. C.O. Inspections	4	
	4. Suppression & Dry Hyd	0	
	5. Tank Removals	3	
	6. Burn Permits	0	
E	FOLLOW UP INSPECTIONS	2	
F	OFFICE	215	
G	COURT APPEARANCE	0	
H	PLAN REVIEWS	13	
I	TRAINING	4	
J	PURCHASING	53	
O	OTHER-Rich	9	
O	OTHER-Steve	3	
O	OTHER- Dave	2	
O	OTHER-Jamillynn	2	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>364.5</b>
Rich	NSB- Deposits- 2		
	Knox Box Keys- 4 & 6 Washington Ave.		
	Complaint- Dere St. 33 Main St.		
	Commplaint- Egg & Co. 71 So. Main		
	Complaint Murphys-71 So. Main		
	Complaint- General Store- 43 Main St.		
	Spprinkler Test- 3 Primrose St.		
Steve	DRILL- CAC		
	knox box key- St. Rose		
	burning complaint- Beaver Dam		
Dave	Assist with 2 Inspections		
Jami	Assist with 2 inspections		
April 2019 Reporting Month			
		Marshal's Signature	