



**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF NEWTOWN**

July 24, 2023
Regular Meeting
Newtown Hook & Ladder
12 Church Hill Rd. Newtown CT. 06470

Meeting Opened By: Pat Reilly, Chairman at 7:03 pm

Commissioners Present: Pat Reilly, Brian Sharnick, Tom Fitzgerald & Jay Nezvesky
Absent : Jeff Dugan, Tim Whelan & Ron Bolmer
Chiefs – 1st Ass't Chief Ward, Chief Murphy, Deputy Chief Basso
Marshals- David Ober & Steve Murphy

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIAENCE

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS None

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Thom Fitzgerald made a motion to accept the minutes from 6/26/23 as submitted, Brian Sharnick seconded and Jay Nezvesky Abstained and the motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS-

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- Pat Reilly, Chairman asked for updated list of officers, 4 departments sent their updated list.

REPORTS

Fire Marshal – Deputy Fire Marshal David Ober presented June 2023 Reports- See attached

Purchasing Agent – David Ober reported that the contractor (Alberts Hill Rd.) that had concerns about someone stealing water from the tank has not reported any additional information.

He also asked that all departments please verify prices before ordering any budgeted items and submitting invoices for payment and to contact David with any purchases exceeding the amount your departments requested.

Any item purchased for \$2000.00 - \$50,000.00 shall have:

*3 quotes attached to invoice/ purchase order,

* Approved State bid

* Verified Sole source

Combined Chiefs- Chief Murphy reported the Fire Chiefs and Ambulance Chief had a meeting last week. Chief Basso asked that due to all fire companies needing more volunteers that the board / chiefs look at firefighter benefits (tax abatement, pension etc.) to review benefits for becoming a volunteer and look at possible enhancements to help recruit members and retain them.

Pat Reilly will appoint a committee to review with a combination of Commissioners and Chiefs.

NUSAR – No Report

STANDING COMMITTEES

PPE & Policy – Thom Fitzgerald reported that the review of the current SOG/SOP's is in progress, they will meet again to prepare their changes for review for the next meeting.

Radio/Hydrant – None

Radio Committee Sub Committee- Installs are still in progress.

Truck- No Report

Budget- No Report

NUSAR- No Report

OLD BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS: BOFC SOG 11 (Response Improvement Plan) There were some changes made to the SOG, They were discussed and brought to the board, but never finalized.
Jay Nezvesky made a motion to accept the changes and Thom Fitzgerald seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Hawleyville would like to purchase an Exhaust System for \$38,300.00 from their ARP funds.
Plymovent- \$35,400.00 3 year warranty and annual fees for annual service.
MagneGrip -38,300.00 10 year warranty no extra fees and no annual service.

A motion made by Jay Nezvesky to approve the funding through the ARP fund, (barring no other vendors to quote)- to purchase the Exhaust System from MagneGrip in the amount of \$38, 300.00 due to 10 year warranty and no yearly service and service charges required.
This motion was seconded by Thom Fitzgerald and passed unanimously.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Thom Fitzgerald, Seconded by Jay Nezvesky and motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Nancy Schreiner, BOFC Clerk

Fire Company's Calls 109

The Fire Marshals had 365 incidents and 377Hours worked.

Permits: 0 blasting \$0.00, 1 tanks \$20.00, burn \$0.00, reports \$0.0 Total \$20.00.

FIRE MARSHAL'S COMBINED MONTHLY TIME SUMMARY

CODE	CATEGORY	INCIDENTS	HOURS
A	FIRE CALLS	3	
B	FIRE INVESTIGATION	3	
C	FOLLOW UP INVEST.		
D	BUILDING & SITE		
	1. Building Inspections	43	
	2. Site Inspections	16	
	3. C.O. Inspections	1	
	4. Suppression & Dry Hyd		
	5. Tank Removals		
	6. Burn Permits		
	7. Fire Drills		
E	FOLLOW UP INSPECTIONS	3	
F	OFFICE	211	
G	COURT APPEARANCE		
H	PLAN REVIEWS	2	
I	TRAINING	6	
J	PURCHASING	74	
O	OTHER-Rich	2	
O	OTHER-Dave	1	
O	OTHER- Steve		
O	OTHER-Jamillynn		
	TOTAL	365	377
Rich	Run Fire Pump	1	
	Fire Alarm Test	1	
Dave	Run Fire Pump	1	
Steve			
Jami			
	Jun-23		
		Marshal's Signature	