

Fire Commission Special Meeting Minutes

Unapproved/Unrevised

December 10, 2008

Town Hall Large Conference Room

Agenda

1. 2009 Meeting Calendar Approval
2. Executive Session: SAFER Grant Interviews; Possible Vote
3. Review/Update of Recent Fires
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes: 10/1/08 Qtly

Commission Members Present: Andy Bodner, Barbara Manner, Rudy Marconi, Di Masters, and Joan Plock

R. Marconi called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm

1. **Joan Plock Motioned, Di Masters seconded the motion to approve the 2009 Meeting calendar as presented. Motion passed 5-0.** Meeting dates will be 1/28/09, 4/15/09, 7/15/09, and 9/30/09.
2. The candidate agreed to have the interview in open session. After the interview, **Joan Plock motioned, Barbara Manners seconded the motion to recommend to the Board of Selectmen the hiring of David Lachelier as FireFighter/Paramedic pending his passing of the police and reference background checks, physical, and drug screening. Motion passed 5-0.**
3. Chief Burford presented a breakdown of the previous 10 fires in Ridgefield. Questions and comments surrounded these fires and the investigations. Special recognition was given to Fire Marshal Lathrop for his long hours and steady work with the Ridgefield Police Dept. which led to the quick arrest of the arsonist. Chief Burford also gave a detailed report on the most recent general alarm fire on Hawthorne Hill Rd. which resulted in the untimely death of one person.
4. Minutes from the meeting of 10/01/08 were approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.