TOWN of RIDGEFIELD – FIRE COMMISSION MEETING – JUNE 26, 2019 at 6:30pm SIX CATOONAH STREET, RIDGEFIELD CT

UNREVISED/UNAPPROVED MINUTES

These minutes are a general summary of the meeting and are not intended to be a verbatim transcription.

In attendance: R. Marconi, B. Hebert, M. Kozlark, B. Manners, Chief Jerry Myers

Absent: S. Zemo

Agenda

- 1. Personnel Status
- 2. Facilities Status
- 3. Vehicle and Equipment Status
- 4. Activity Report

R. Marconi called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

1. Personnel Status:

Chief J. Myers reported that 2019 started off to a challenge with 3 people leaving. Now fully staffed at 45 department wide, shifts have leveled out. Overall moral is high

2. Facilities Status:

A new Generator for Fire station 2 was already requested and approved by the BOS at the 6/19/19 meeting. Station 2 is in need of a new boiler to improve the heating of this facility. Planning on replacing the center garage door at Station 2 in the 2020 fiscal year

3. Vehicle and Equipment Status:

Chief J. Myers reported:

- Engines 1, 2, & 3 are all in service. Currently no anticipated issues.
- Tankers 10 & 12 are in service with no pending issues.
- Rescue 7 is in service.
- Truck 8 is in service and pending annual inspection. With truck 8 being 34 years old, a
 grant has been applied for to help subsidize the cost of a new ladder truck.
- Three ambulances are in service, one has a pending repair from an accident which is being followed up with by Asst. Chief Grasso.
- All staff and utility vehicles are in service.

4. Activity Report:

Chief Meyers reported the increase in activity from 2015-2018 has risen 15%.

- 2018 Fire Calls 1614*, based on raw data
 - o 32 Fire Calls
 - 1582 other calls (not including EMS)

- 2018 EMS Calls
 - o 2203 (yr 2017=2108, yr 2016 = 1952)

B. Herbert wanted to know how many opioid transports were provided. Chief Meyers said that there were 25 for 2018.

• Chief J. Meyers advised that to date the Ridgefield High School has spent \$34,244.74 on Fire watch.

M Kozlark moved and B. Hebert seconded the motion to adjourn the Fire Commission Special Meeting at 7:50 pm. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted, Amy Escribano