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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING

January 30, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

Fire Headquarters

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. Present were Chairman Robert Massey, Jr., Commissioners Clem, Riccio, Fox and Carfora. Also present were Fire Chief Thomas Mahoney and Assistant Chief Heffernan.

Motion made by Commissioner Massey to enter into executive session to conduct interviews for two firefighter/paramedic positions. Seconded by Commissioner Clem. Vote unanimous.

Present were Chairman Robert Massey, Jr., Commissioners Clem, Riccio, Fox and Carfora. Also present were Fire Chief Thomas Mahoney and Assistant Chief Heffernan. Also present during executive session during their respective interviews were candidates Dylan Kessler, Peter O'Hara, Derek Barbeau, Joshua Bean, Ian Canny and Vladimir Larin.

Return to regular meeting at 7:58 p.m.

For the record no votes were taken during executive session.

Motion made by Commissioner Fox to extend a conditional offer of employment to Dylan Kessler and Ian Canny. Seconded by Commissioner Clem. Vote unanimous.

Chief Mahoney presented the 2020/2021 budget. The operating budget was presented with a 3.82% increase over the current budget. The increase is mainly due to contractual costs and the increase for the cost of the hydrants. Everything else is minimal or flat. Discussion took place concerning the capital budget, items reviewed included the vehicle replacement plan, radio sinking fund, Ambulance replacement plan, Cardiac Monitor plan and SBCA. Discussion took place concerning ambulance revenues and call volume.

Motion made by Commissioner Fox to approve the proposed budget allowing for adjustments /amendments by the Finance Director and/or First Selectman. Seconded by Commissioner LaCroix. Vote unanimous.

Tac 6 is about 4-6 weeks out.

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Car 15 has been delivered now it needs to be outfitted with lights, sirens, etc.

Assistant Chief Heffernan reported that there is a lot of building going on around town. There are proposals for a new laboratory building on Sycamore Way, another apartment building on Summit Place and a proposal for new high end apartments and retail space at the former Margarita's/Days Inn site.

Motion made by Commissioner Massey to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Riccio. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Trista Milici". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Trista Milici
Clerk