

BLUE HILLS FIRE DISTRICT
MEETING OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
LOCATION: 1021 BLUE HILLS AVENUE
BLOOMFIELD, CT
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2019
@ 7:00 PM

Draft MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: The monthly meeting of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:30 p.m. and a moment of silence was observed.

PRESENT: Present at the meeting was Chief Willie Jones, Chair Ariel Marzouca Jaunai, Vice Chair Jacqueline Massey Greene, Commissioner Mark Manson, Lieutenant Vincent Jaunai, Director of Finance and Administration Errol Bartley and District Clerk Valda Thompson.

Vice Chair Massey Greene made a motion to approve the minutes of December 5, 2018 with corrections. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Manson. The motion carried unanimously.

Chief's Report: There were 553 calls in the year of 2018. Goals for the upcoming year is to train the members how to operate the new SCBA packs, in addition, to conduct a training with new the packs with Bloomfield Center Fire Department as both fire departments packs are not compatible. Chief Jones wants to donate the old packs to another fire department or to an international fire department. Working on a plan to recruit additional volunteers.

For additional information, please refer to the Chief's monthly report.

FIRE MARSHAL' S REPORT: not in attendance

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION REPORT: Errol Bartley stated that the District's finances are in good standing.

TRAINING REPORT: Chief Jones stated BHFD conducted a portable radio training with the members on Monday, January 7th.

HOUSE CAPTAIN'S REPORT: none

COMMUNITY OUTREACH REPORT: In conjunction with BHFD, Bloomfield Police Department and Bloomfield Volunteer Ambulance, on January 31, 2019, there will be a fire safety education event at the Federation Home in Bloomfield. For additional information, please refer to the Outreach's report monthly report.

DEPARTMENT /GOOD WELFARE: Finance Director Errol Bartley, has terminated his medical benefit with the BHFD. Chair Marzouca Jaunai explained that, as an employee of the District he is entitled to receive

medical insurance, and if in the future, his circumstance changes, and is still an employee of the BHFD, he is eligible to receive medical insurance.

CITIZEN STATEMENTS/COMMENTS: Citizens had numerous questions.

Lt. Jaunai introduced Mr. Shaddy Kessing from Artifax Company who gave a presentation on an outdoor business sign for the District. Additional research will be done to get funding.

Commissioner Manson will confirm a date with a grant writer who will be able to give the Commission a presentation on the grants that BHFD is eligible for.

Commissioner Manson made a motion to eliminate the gas allowance. The motion was seconded by Chair Ariel Marzouca-Jaunai. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Marzouca Jaunai announced that the District currently has 1 credit card with its name, Blue Hills Fire District. Commissioner Manson made a motion that the Commissioners should no longer have a District credit card with their names listed on the card. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Massey Greene. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Marzouca Jaunai suggested renting of the hall. After discussion with the Commissioners, Chair Marzouca Jaunai made a motion to table the Discussion. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Massey Green. The motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chair Massey Greene made a motion to release LOSAP funds to Adrian Clarke, in the amount of \$39,054. The motion was seconded by Chair Jaunai. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYMENT OF INVOICES AND VOUCHERS: Vice Chair Massey Greene made a motion to pay invoices and vouchers. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Manson. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Vice Chair Massey Greene to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Manson. The motion carried unanimously.

Please note the next meeting is scheduled for February 6, 2019

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