

**MEETING MINUTES - BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 15, 2021 – 11:00 AM
Meeting ID: 994 4925 0236**

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order at 11:01 AM

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:

3. Moment of silence for US Firefighter Line-Of-Duty deaths:

Firefighter/Paramedic Scott Williams
Firefighter Kasey Callwood

Lieutenant Darin Pasold
Lieutenant Garrett Ramos

4. Roll Call: Commissioners Rosenberg, J. Russo, C. Saunders-Maignan, J. Larcheveque, A/Chief Edwards, DC Buck, A/DC Cronin

Absent: W. Marshall, G. Pettway, J. Meszoros*

5. Minutes:

Entertain a motion to dispense with reading of minutes of the previous meeting.

Commissioner Larcheveque moved; Commissioner Russo second; all in favor: I's have it.

6. Old Business:

i. None.

7. New Business:

i. Entertain a motion to remove Richard Stroomer, retired Pumper Engineer, deceased November 12, 2021 from the Firefighters Pension and refer to the appropriate City Agency for implementation.

Commissioner Russo moved; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

8. Executive Session for attendance review of the following individuals:

• **AC Manuel Firpi - Declined Executive Session**

Chief Firpi advised he continues with PT. Awaiting pre-op approval.

Entertain a motion to table to the January Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting; Commissioner Russo moved; Commissioner Larchevque second; all in favor: I's have it.

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- **FF Darren Carroll – Declined Executive Session**

FF Carrol advised he has completed his PT. Meeting on 12/21 with his doctor; anticipates a return-to-work date of 12/24.

Entertain a motion to table to the January Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting; Commissioner Russo moved; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

- **FF Maurice Barnes – Declined Executive Session**

FF Barnes advised he continues with PT 2X/week. Next scheduled doctor's appointment is 12/17.

Entertain a motion to table to the January Board of Fire Commissioner Meeting; Commissioner Russo moved; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

- **FF Ronald Reed – Declined Executive Session**

FF Reed advised there is a possibility of surgery for his knee and shoulder. Starts aqua therapy to increase his strength on 12/17.

Entertain a motion to table to the January Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting. Commissioner Russo moved; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

- **FF Tyshaun Lester – Not in attendance**

DC Buck advised the Board there has been no information or updates from FF Lester during the past 30 days.

Entertain a motion to order FF Lester to the January December Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting. Commissioner Larcheveque moved; Commissioner Russo second; all in favor: I's have it.

- **FF Ryshon Penix – Not in Attendance**

DC Buck advised FF Penix has returned to full duty. No motion required.

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- **FI Richard Minfield – Declined Executive Session**

FI Minfield advised the Board he sprained his wrist and knee in an automobile accident and has just completed PT. He was then diagnosed with a herniated disc with sciatic pain on 12/9. He has a doctor' appointment on 1/9; starts PT for his back this week.

Entertain a motion to table to the January Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting. Commissioner Russo moved; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor I's have it.

- **LT Timothy Shepard – Not in attendance**

DC Buck advised that LT Shepard informed Administration that he has a return-to-work date of 12/27.

Entertain a motion to table to the January Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting. Commissioner Larcheveque moved; Commissioner Russo second; all in favor: I's have it.

*****11:15 AM – Commissioner Meszoros joined the meeting.**

9. Entertain a motion to accept the Report of Sick and Injury

Commissioner Meszoros moved; Commissioner Saunders-Maignan second; all in favor: I's have it.

10. Policy and Procedure review:

- Chief Edwards advised the Board of the following
 - COVID protocols remain in place. 78% of department have received vaccinations. Unvaccinated members continue with weekly testing. Since the onset of COVID 64 members have tested positive.
 - Ladder 11 is in Rocky Hill CT. In the week of 1/17. The department will receive factory training on the new Ladder and expect to have it in service by 1/21.
 - Fire Equipment Mechanic oral interviews begin on 12/17 and 12/20.
 - Continue with contract negotiations; meeting is scheduled for next week.
 - 4 Recruits graduated from the CFA on 12/10. In SSD this week working on their Q Endorsements.
 - Currently have 11 vacancies.
 - Recruitment will begin in early 2022; written exam anticipated for Spring of 2022.

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- 11. There being nothing further to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn is in order.**

Commissioner Larcheveque moved; Commissioner Russo second; all in favor: I's have it.

Meeting Ended 11:19 AM

Prepared: G. Bottillo