



Fire Commission

Clifford J. Hurgin Municipal Center, 1 School Street
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Minutes of Regular Meeting

Wednesday Sept 13th, 2023 at 7pm Hybrid Meeting
Clifford J. Hurgin Municipal Center, 1 School Street, Bethel CT
Video Conference Video Link: <https://zoom.us/j/6630678108>
One Tap Mobile: 16465588656, 66306788108# US (New York)
Materials can be viewed at://www.bethel-ct.gov/zoom-documents

Present: Selectman Richard Straiton, Chairperson DJ Brown, Fred Ingram, Chief McCollum, Chief Baker, Asst. Chief Stony Hill Doug Evanuska, Mat Gunter, Fire Marshall Thomas Galliford.

DJ Brown called the meeting to order at 7:02pm

Consideration of approval of Special Meeting Minutes from July 26th, 2023

Motion made by Fred Ingram to approve and seconded by Chairperson DJ Brown. Voted all in favor, motion carried.

No Public Comments.

Chiefs' Reports:

Chief McCollum reported on issues including but not limited to:

- Updated budget and referred to report that was given to Selectman and Chairperson ahead of meeting.
- Items/Equipment parts that needed to be replaced or refurbished.
- Bill payment schedule
- Upcoming Specialized training.
- Postponing of Fire police Training to Sept 23rd.
- Apparatus report that is up to date.
- Discussion Ensued

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Chief Baker's reported on issues including but not limited to:

- Use of ARPA funds- what has been ordered and what is needed.
- Camera system installation on hold and waiting for update.
- Waiting for update on Chief's truck and back-order items.
- Status on Engine 11
- Discussion ensued.

Last Quarter Maintenance Records:

- Trucks and maintenance service.
- Discussion on age and status of trucks
- Proposed program to refurbish or replace old trucks and parts.

Last Quarter Spending Reports:

- Proposal to have Finance Department email to Chairman all reports.

Discussion Ensued.

Update on Consultant Study:

- Kickoff meeting attended with Chiefs and First Selectman in August
- Portal available for all document entry and all SOP's and SOG's were inputted.
- PFAs updated and guidance to follow.
- Purchase order system to be put in place.

Discussion ensued.

Motion to adjourn made by Chairman DJ Brown, seconded by Richard Straiton. Voted all in favor. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Donna-Beth Kentish
Recording Secretary.