



# STAMFORD FIRE COMMISSION

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## Approved Minutes—Special Fire Commission held July 14, 2022, 1:00 pm

**Call to order:** Commissioner Hubbard called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm

**Roll Call:** Present: Commissioner Hubbard, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hubbard, Commissioner Munger; Commissioner Alswanger & Commissioner Baker absent; Additional attendees: Deputy Chief Lorenz, Director of Human Resource Al Cava, Impartial Mediator Dr. Jason Decremer

Commissioner Hubbard turned the meeting over to Director Cava who gave an outline of the interview process as well as stating all interviews will be in Executive Session and recorded, for each position.

### **Interview & Promotion of Fire Captains:**

Motion: Commissioner Hubbard asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to begin the Fire Captain interviews & deliberation process at 1:19pm. Commissioner Hill made motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Munger and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

Those invited to all Executive session were Deputy Chief Eric Lorenz, Assistant Fire Chief Robert Morris, Director of Human Resources Al Cava, Mediator Dr. Jason Decremer

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 3:05pm. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

Lt. Wagoner, Lt. Dingle, Lt. Searles & Lt. Mastro were interviewed in Executive Session.

Commissioner Hubbard noted for the record that Administrative Assistant Barbara Murphy, Information Manager Max McFarlane were invited into Executive Session as staff support.

Motion: Commissioner Munger moved to appoint Lt. Wagoner to the 1<sup>st</sup> vacant position of Fire Captain, seconded by Commissioner Hill and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

Motion: Commissioner Hill made motion to go into Executive Session at 3:06pm to deliberate on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Captain vacancy, seconded by Commissioner Hubbard and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 3:08pm. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

Motion: Commissioner Hill moved to appoint Lt. Searles to the 2<sup>nd</sup> vacant position of Fire Captain, seconded by Commissioner Munger and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

Motion: Commissioner Hill made motion to go into Executive Session at 3:11pm to continue the Fire Captain interviews & deliberation process, seconded by Commissioner Hubbard and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 3:39pm. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

Lt. Murphy was interviewed during Executive Session.

Motion: Commissioner Hubbard moved to appoint Lt. Murphy to the 3<sup>rd</sup> vacant position of Fire Captain, seconded by Commissioner Munger and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

The Commission took recess at 3:40pm

The meeting resumed at 4:00pm

## **FIRE COMMISSION CONTINUED**

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Motion: Commissioner Hubbard asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to begin the Fire Lieutenant interviews & deliberation process at 4:01pm. Commissioner Hill made motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Munger and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

Those invited to all Executive session were Deputy Chief Eric Lorenz, Assistant Fire Chief Robert Morris, Director of Human Resources Al Cava, Mediator Dr. Jason Decremer, Administrative Assistant Barbara Murphy, Information Manager Max McFarlane.

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 5:08pm. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

FF Pickering, FF Whitbread, FF Romaniello & FF Malloy were interviewed in Executive Session.

Motion: Commission Hill moved to appoint FF. Pickering to the 1<sup>st</sup> vacant position of Fire Lieutenant, seconded by Commissioner Hubbard and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

Motion: Commissioner Hill made motion to go into Executive Session at 5:09pm to deliberate on the appointment to the 2<sup>nd</sup> vacant position of Fire Lieutenant.

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 5:11pm. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

Motion: Commission Hubbard moved to appoint FF. Whitbread to the 2<sup>nd</sup> vacant position of Fire Lieutenant, seconded by Commissioner Munger and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

Motion: Commissioner Hill made motion to go into Executive Session at 5:17pm to continue the Fire Lieutenant interviews & deliberation process, seconded by Commissioner Hubbard and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 5:43pm. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

FF Hagander & FF Tafoya were interviewed in Executive Session.

Motion: Commission Munger moved to appoint FF. Romaniello to the 3<sup>rd</sup> vacant position of Fire Lieutenant, seconded by Commissioner Hill and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

The Commission took recess at 5:43pm

The meeting resumed at 6:04pm. Director of Legal Affairs Douglas Dalena joined the meeting at 6:04pm and will also be joining in Executive Session.

Motion: Commissioner Hill made motion to go into Executive Session at 6:05pm to continue the Fire Lieutenant interviews & deliberation process, seconded by Commissioner Hubbard and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 6:22pm. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

FF Wilson was interviewed in Executive Session.

Motion: Commission Hill moved to appoint FF Malloy to the 4<sup>th</sup> vacant position of Fire Lieutenant, seconded by Commissioner Munger and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

Motion: Commissioner Hill made motion to go into Executive Session at 6:23pm to continue the Fire Lieutenant interviews & deliberation process, seconded by Commissioner Munger and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 6:56pm. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

FF Strangio and FF Dragonetti were interviewed in Executive Session.

Motion: Commission Hill moved to appoint FF Tafoya to the 5<sup>th</sup> vacant position of Fire Lieutenant, seconded by Commissioner Munger and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

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Motion: Commissioner Hill made motion to go into Executive Session at 6:58pm to continue the Fire Lieutenant interviews & deliberation process, seconded by Commissioner Munger and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 7:15pm. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

FF Ripegno was interviewed in Executive Session.

Motion: Commission Munger moved to appoint FF Wilson to the 6<sup>th</sup> vacant position of Fire Lieutenant, seconded by Commissioner Hill and approved by all. (3 in favor, 0 against)

Adjournment: By motion duly made by Commissioner Hubbard, seconded by Commissioner Hill and approved by all, the meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.