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Minutes -Regular Meeting of the Stamford Fire Commission held January 10, 2018

Call to order: 4:43 pm

Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence: Chairman Melzer asked that all stand for the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in gratitude to all Uniformed personnel who have served and who serve our Nation and our Communities, and in remembrance for those who have lost their lives in said service.**Attendees:** Commissioners Melzer, Lodato, Hubbard & Holmes; Chief Roach, AC Robles, AC Morris; Ted Jankowski, Director of PSH&W

Selection of Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Fire Commission:

Motion: By motion duly made by Commissioner Lodato, seconded by Commissioner Holmes and approved by all, the Commission moved to appoint Franklin Melzer as Chairman of the Fire Commission. (3 in favor, 1 abstain, 1 absent)

Motion: By motion duly made by Commissioner Lodato, seconded by Commissioner Hubbard and approved by all, the Commission moved to appoint Andrew Holmes as Vice Chairman of the Fire Commission. (3 in favor, 1 abstain, 1 absent)

Public Comment: N/A

Motion: By motion duly made the Commission moved to take Item 6, Personnel Issues, out of order, suspending the rest of the agenda.

Motion: By motion duly made by Commissioner Lodato, seconded by Commissioner Holmes and approved by all the Commission moved to go into Executive Session at 4:46pm to discuss the interview process.

Motion: By motion duly made by Commissioner Lodato, seconded by Commissioner Holmes and approved by all, the Commission moved to come out of Executive Session at 5:08pm.

Personnel Issues: Interviews for the position of Deputy Fire Chief.

At the onset of each interview the Commission asked each candidate if they wished the interview to be open or closed. If the candidate requested a closed interview, the Commission moved to go into Executive Session, at the end of each interview the Commission moved to come out of Executive Session. If the candidate elected an open interview, the interview was held in the open and not in Executive Session.

The chart below reflects how each candidate wished their respective interview to be:

Deputy Fire Chief interviews	
NAME	Interview: open or closed
Matthew Palmer	Open
Thomas Gloersen	Closed
Brian Ohleth	Closed

Motion: By motion duly made by Commissioner Holmes, seconded by Commissioner Hubbard and approved by all the Commission moved to go into Executive Session at 7:17pm to discuss interviews.

Motion: By motion duly made by Commissioner Holmes, seconded by Commissioner Hubbard and approved by all the Commission moved to come out of Executive Session at 7:58pm.

The interviews continued. At the onset of each interview the Commission asked each candidate if they wished the interview to be open or closed. If the candidate requested a closed interview, the Commission moved to go into Executive Session, at the end of each interview the Commission moved to come out of Executive Session. If the candidate elected an open interview, the interview was held in the open and not in Executive Session. The chart below reflects how each candidate wished their respective interview to be:

Deputy Fire Chief interviews	
Brian Fontneau	Open
Victor Rella	Closed
John Conte	Closed
David Harriott	Open
Shaun Tripodi	Closed

Motion: By motion duly made the Commission went into Executive Session to deliberate at 9:47pm.

Motion: By motion duly made the Commission came out of Executive Session at 10:00pm. No action was taken in Executive Session.

Motion: By motion duly made by Commissioner Holmes, seconded by Commissioner Hubbard and approved by all, the Commission moved to promote to the position of Deputy Fire Chief in the following order:

- Thomas Gloersen
- Matthew Palmer

Adjournment: By motion duly made the Commission moved to adjourn at 10:00pm.