

TOWN OF SOUTHTON  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Vice Chairperson Longo called the special meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, held at Headquarters on December 2, 2010, to order at 6:04 p.m. Commissioners Longo, Sherman, Nevelos, Dandrow and Baker were present. Also in attendance were Chief Clark and Asst. Chief Wisner.

Pledge of Allegiance

MOTION: by Sherman, seconded by Nevelos, to accept the minutes of November 18, 2010, regular meeting as circulated. Motion carried with three ayes and two abstentions.

Chief's Report: Nothing to report.

Chief Clark welcomed Commissioner Dandrow and Commissioner Baker.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Budget – Chief Clark discussed three new expense items that he is proposing for the 2011-2012 budget:

1. The first is Company 3's roof replacement estimated at \$45,000. The roof has several leaks which is causing internal damage. Chief Clark is scheduled to meet with the Permanent Building Committee on December 14, 2010 to discuss this issue, along with the paving needs of Company 2 and Company 5.
2. The second item is a request for a new engine at an estimated cost of \$550,000. The newest engine is eleven years old, which surpasses NFPA standards of first due engines being a maximum of ten years old. Each year a Five Year Capital Expenditure Plan is submitted to the Town Manager requesting an engine and each year it has been refused. At this time, it has become crucial to request one engine this year and ask for half the cost each year to meet NFPA standards.
3. The third item is a request for three new firefighters, two firefighters and one lieutenant. The positions would have an assigned shift of Monday through Friday during the day, and be stationed at Company 3, 35 Clark Street, Milldale. The daytime response to calls during the week is minimal

and creates a possible hazard for the town. Company 3 was chosen because of their location as the most southern of all the stations.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Sherman, seconded by Nevelos, to approve the Board of Fire Commissioners meeting calendar for 2011 as proposed with the exception of the January 20, 2010 meeting to January 13, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: by Sherman, seconded by Nevelos, to adjourn to Executive Session, excluding the public and the press with the exception of Chief Clark, and Asst. Chief Wisner to discuss contract negotiations at 6:36 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Contract negotiations were discussed.

Return to regular session at 7:18 p.m.

MOTION: by Sherman, seconded by Nevelos, to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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By Lester H. Cotton  
Town Clerk

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