

TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

A special meeting of the Board was held on July 23, 2009, at Headquarters, at 7:30 p.m. Commissioners Daly, Longo, Sherman, Nevelos and Berkmoes were present. Also in attendance were Chief Clark and Asst. Chief Wisner.

Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION: by Longo, seconded by Sherman, to accept the minutes of the June 11, 2009 meeting as circulated. Motion carried with four ayes and one abstention.

MOTION: by Sherman, seconded by Nevelos, to approve the payment of bills for June 2009 in the amount of \$137,295.68. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief's Report:

- The annual report is being prepared and will be emailed to the Board for their approval.
- Chief Clark attended the NEIAFC in Springfield, MA in June. Chief Clark met with various vendors during the conference and looked at an accountability system replacement. The Truck Committee attended one day of the conference.
- Renovations to the Inspection Bureau have been done. Painting, rug replacement and rearranging the offices have been done.
- A continuous problem with the roof leaking in the old addition will be repaired next week.
- A grievance hearing with Deputy Town Manager Sciota took place during the month.
- The second CERT class has graduated with 27 members. There are a total of 53 highly motivated and dedicated members.
- Chief Clark participated in a DEHMS regional drill. The drill simulated multiple catastrophes which opened up the Police Department as the emergency management center. The exercise was more of a table-top drill that activated the CERT team who were assigned to various organizations as far out as New Britain. The drill went fairly well, and a critique is scheduled sometime in the near future. A full-blown drill is scheduled for September.
- A meeting with Deputy Town Manager Sciota about the security alarms in town buildings was held. The digitizer is being looked at as a monitoring system for the six buildings through tele-dialers.
- There were continuous connectivity issues with the internet and phone lines throughout the month. AT&T was contacted and work was done to transfer the phone lines to the new lines out on the pole. The T1 internet line was not

transferred and continues to deliver slow connections. A change over to the canopy system for the internet service is being looked at.

- The proposed tower to be built at Company 2 has been approved. A handout that detailed the location on the property was distributed.
- New software for the gas pump records has been installed today. Assistant Chief Wisner is working on entering data.

MOTION: by Sherman, seconded by Nevelos, to accept the Chief's Report.
Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Captain Doug Badgley invited the Board to attend the annual Old Timer's Night and retirement party for FP Dave Mongillo on August 10, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at Falcon's Hall. FP Dave Mongillo is retiring after 40 years of service.

MOTION: by Longo, seconded by Sherman, to adjourn to Executive Session, excluding the public and the press with the exception of Chief Clark and Asst. Chief Wisner, to discuss personnel matters at 7:44 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Personnel matters were discussed. No action was taken.

Returned to open session at 8:30 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Robert Sherman, Secretary
Board of Fire Commissioners