



ANSONIA FIRE DEPARTMENT

253 MAIN STREET
ANSONIA, CT 06401

FIRE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING April 29, 2009

Commissioner	Eugene Sharkey, Chairman	Present
Commissioner	Steve Blume	Present
Commissioner	Joseph Jeannette	Present
Chief	Michael Eheman	Present
1 st Asst. Chief	Ronald Burgess	Present
2 nd Asst. Chief	Joe Kingston	Present

Others Present:

3 rd Asst. Chief	Scott Trembley
Fire Marshal	Ray Tingley
Fire Alarms	Bill Hart
Co. #1	Captain Jack Scanlon
Co. #3	
Co. #4	Captain Jay Fainer
Co. #5	1 st Lt. Robert Caruso
Co. #6	Captain Kevin Tingley

The regular meeting of the Ansonia Fire Commission was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Sharkey. A roll call was taken and the chair declared a quorum present.

All present rose and Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Public Session

Chairman Sharkey asked three times if there was anyone from the public who wished to address the Commission. Being none the chair declared the public session closed.

Approval of Minutes

A MOTION to accept the minutes from the March 25, 2009 meeting was made by Commissioner Blume and seconded by AC Burgess.

All were in favor. MOTION PASSED.

Approval of Bills

A MOTION to pay all bills if found to be correct was made by Commissioner Blume and seconded by Chief Eheman. All were in favor. MOTION PASSED.

Correspondence: None.

Reports:

Company 1 Fountain Hose

- All set.

Company 3 Webster Hose

Company 4 Charters Hose

- Invitations are out for the Mother's Day Communion Breakfast on 5/10/09 after 8:15 Mass.
- E4 transmission is slipping badly. Notify Tracy's to check it out.
- Photo ID's Saturday 5/2/09 at Co. 4. 10 AM to 1 PM.
- Request a map of new Boys club and evacuation routes.

Company 5 Hilltop Hose

- Need 9V batteries for masks.
- E5 discharge gauge not working. Need new one and they will install.
- E5 still needs to go to Tracy's garage.
- HM2 needs an exhaust system.
- HM2 response is as requested by command only.

Company 6 Eagle Hose

- 1 air pack OOS for 2 months. Please check on status.
- 1 E6 tire is dry rotting. Needs to be replaced.

Fire Marshal

- New wood shop business on Riverside Dr.
- Masonic Temple being converted to Buddhist Temple.
- 28-32 N. State renovations to begin soon.
- Water company houses being converted to day care.

Alarms

- All set.

Training

- Hazmat Operations full class will be run soon.
- Grant for fire training has been awarded to AFD. Grant writers applied for \$33,554 for training in FF1, FF2, Aerial and Pump operations. Grant writers are amending to include combined courses and to allow surrounding towns participate.
- Dispatcher training course will be offered with Shelton. If interested, contact AC Tremblay.
- Bottle testing has started through Co. 3.
- Per Commissioner Sharkey, we need people to help with dispatch on large fires.
- Per Commissioner Blume, other towns may participate in our training grant
- A discussion of how the grant will work was held.

Chief Eheman MADE A MOTION that until further notice, the Fire Commission will pay up front costs up to \$600 for Ansonia fire department members to take Firefighter 1 or 2 classes. Seconded by Commissioner Blume. All were in favor. The MOTION WAS APPROVED.

Fire Police

Chief 25

Chief 24

- All set.

Chief 23

- All set.

Chief 22

- No ladders failed during ladder testing.
- For all route 8 calls, drivers must stop at cannon in Derby and at Nolan field to pickup waiting firefighters. Follow the procedure.

New Business

Chief 21

- For route 8 calls, always keep 1 truck going in each direction.
- Thanks to all who participated in the mock drill at AHS.
- Mock drill at EOB on 5/20/2009. Need S9 and E5.
- Do not call dispatchers for information on call location. They are too busy with police , fire and EMS dispatching.
- L7 going to Warsaw Park for bike blessing on 5/3/2009.
- Box 3 assignments during Memorial Day parade. Please be careful.

Commissioner Jeannette

- All set.

Commissioner Blume

- All Set.

Commissioner Sharkey

- Working on next years budget. This years budget is getting low.

Commissioner Blume made a MOTION to adjourn at 7:50 PM, seconded by Chief Eheman. All in favor MOTION PASSED.

The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 27, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Bshara
Secretary-Bookkeeper
Ansonia Fire Department