

Easton Fire Commission

Regular Meeting

January 20, 2016

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Attendance: J. Miranda, D. Buchanan, T. Pajonas

Also in attendance: P. Neary, S. Waugh

Commissioner Miranda called the meeting to order at 7:36 pm. Fire Marshal Neary reported the fire Marshall department was working with Samuel Staples and Helen Keller Administrators to review the school safety plans. Marshall Neary gave his report for December 2015. There was a significant structure fire at 273 Center Road.

Chief Waugh gave his report for incidents in the month of December, there were 45. He also provided the Commission with 2015 Yearly totals. He reported there was a fire on Maple Road New Years Eve. The commissioners looked over the yearly incident report and Commissioner Pajonas asked about item 471 , explosive ,removal. Chief Waugh explained this process. It was reported that Paul Skrtich stepped down and James Girardi is now the 2nd assistant Chief. Chief and Commission spoke about the abatement for firefighters and the Chief would like to see at least an average of 15% answered calls by each firefighter. The department is also speaking with various departments and agencies concerning all the overgrown trees in town that could pose a problem. The Chief reported that he purchased a new set of fire gear for a fighter fighter from inotech that cost \$2000. The old company, morning pride, used to charge \$3200. Commissioner Buchanan commented department used to use Globe. Chief Waugh commented he purchase a new portable radio but it is not a digital radio and the UASI radios are good but very expensive. Commissioner Miranda commented about the terrible cell service in town and lack of cell towers. The Chief commented on budget time and the town is looking for under 1.6% increase however most of the constructional obligations are 2.5%

Commissioner Miranda stepped down as chairman and Commissioner Pajonas nominated Commissioner Buchanan as next chairman, Commissioner Miranda seconded the nomination and Commissioner Buchanan is now the Chairman. Commissioner Buchanan nominated Commissioner Cable as the Secretary, seconded by Commissioner Miranda. Commissioner Cable is the Secretary. Commissioner Pajonas Made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45, Commissioner Buchanan seconded the motion, Motion passed and meeting adjourned at 8:45.

Respectfully submitted by John Miranda

Commissioner