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## **Easton Fire Commission**

## Regular Meeting

June 15, 2016

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Attendance: D. Buchanan, R. Cable, J. Miranda

Also in attendance: P. Neary, S. Waugh

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 pm.

Commissioner Buchanan motioned to accept the May minutes. Commissioner Miranda seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Chief Waugh presented the incident report. There were 45 incidents, 18 incident types, 24 persons responding and 85.8 man-hours expended. He said he was looking into ways to increase to volunteer participation. He also wanted to recruit new volunteers. Currently there are three new active volunteers. The Redding Fire Department contacted the Chief. He was told that the Stepney Road bridge was closed for repair and he was asked if the Easton Fire Department could provide mutual aid for part of Redding until the bridge was fixed. The Chief said the Department would do this. Radio problems continue with Engine 3. Northeastern was contacted. Fire classes will be offered in Easton in the fall. The Chief expressed his concern about the need for tree work in town. Commissioner Miranda suggested outsourcing the necessary tree work based on his experiences in Stratford. The Chief discussed a recent memo from the town regarding purchasing. The Chief authorizes all Department purchases greater than \$30 and gets bids on larger items. There is ongoing work with the computer project. Engine 4 specs will be determined after the carnival.

Marshal Neary presented the Fire Marshal's report. There were 18 fire safety classes at Samuel Staples. Schuyler worked on the problem with the Samuel Staples sprinklers. He suggested an alternative system that could be less expensive.

Commissioner Buchanan motioned to go into executive session at 8:25 pm. Commissioner Miranda seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The Commission came out of executive session at 8:40 pm.

Commissioner Buchanan is continuing his work on the ISO insurance ratings. He said the Department could be loosing points on training. He suggested that more training records should be kept on file.

Commissioner Miranda motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 pm. Commissioner Cable seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Commissioner Roberta Cable, Secretary