

**CITY OF NASHUA
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 3, 2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kevin Burgess
Don Davidson
Paul Garant
Ken Marquis
Anthony Patti

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

N/A

STAFF PRESENT:

Chief Brian D. Rhodes
Assistant Chief George A. Walker

OTHERS PRESENT:

Alderman Tencza
Deputy Fire Chief Steve Buxton
Deputy Fire Chief Karl Gerhard
Deputy Fire Chief Kevin Kerrigan
Deputy Fire Chief Glen MacDonald
President of Local #789 - John McAllister
Vice President of Local #789 – Michael O’Brien
Members of Nashua Fire Rescue

THE MEETING CAME TO ORDER AT 5:36 PM

All stood as Fire Commissioner Ken Marquis lead The Pledge of Allegiance.

A Moment of Silence was held for all recent deaths and all those lost.

PUBLIC COMMENT (RE: NFR AGENDA ITEMS)

No discussion

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Garant to accept as presented and place on file the Consent Agenda
Seconded by Commissioner Marquis
Vote: passed 4-yes

Approval of Minutes

January 6, 2020 Regular Meeting

20 11

Motion by Commissioner Garant to accept as presented the meeting minutes and place on file
Seconded by Commissioner Marquis
Vote: passed 4-yes

Communications: Thank You

20 12

Motion by Commissioner Garant to accept as presented the communication and place on file
Seconded by Commissioner Marquis
Vote: passed 4-yes

Departmental Detail Expenditures Report

20 13

Motion by Commissioner Garant to accept as presented the Departmental Detail Expenditures Report and place on file
Seconded by Commissioner Marquis
Vote: passed 4-yes

REGULAR AGENDA

Staff Reports

A. Chief Rhodes

20 14 A

Motion by Commissioner Marquis to accept Chief Rhodes' report as presented and place on file
Seconded by Commissioner Burgess
Vote: passed 5-yes

B. Assistant Chief Walker

20 14 B

Motion by Commissioner Marquis to accept Assistant Chief Walker's report as presented and place on file
Seconded by Commissioner Burgess
Vote: passed 5-yes

Discussions

Local 789

20 15

President McAllister had nothing new to report but wanted to thank the Commission and Administration for going back to the table for mediation regarding contract negotiations and happy to report a tentative agreement was reached.

OLD BUSINESS

N/A

NEW BUSINESS

Authorization – Personnel – New Hire Dispatcher

20 16

Motion by Commissioner Garant to table the authorization for personnel action until the next meeting.
Seconded by Commissioner Marquis
Vote: passed 5-yes

BADGE PRESENTATION

Badge Presentation to off probation Dispatcher Brisk by Chief Rhodes

REMARKS BY FIRE COMMISSION

Commissioner Garant mentioned the mediation of the contract and was grateful a tentative agreement has been met and supports the agreement. He thanked the members of Local 789.

PERSONNEL ITEMS

Personnel Item **20 17 A**

Motion by Commissioner Garant to accept and place on file
Seconded by Commissioner Burgess
Vote: passed 5-yes

ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA – Introduced at Meeting

M.O.U. – State Fire Marshal’s Office \ **20 18**

Deputy Fire Chief Steve Buxton spoke in regards to the Memorandum of Understanding with the State Fire Marshal’s office, hazmat response and the State Collaborative Hazmat Team in NH. The agreement for coverage is in the beginning stages. Deputy Buxton just wanted to bring this to the board’s attention.

Life Scan Physicals **20 19**

Chief Rhodes provided the commission with information on a program that Life Scan offers that does a more comprehensive physical than NFR is currently providing for its members. The comprehensive physical is a much more in depth physical that can help with prevention. Chief Rhodes’ hope is that, eventually, the city can cover the cost but that is a long process. There is no contract with the current provider performing the physicals.

PUBLIC COMMENT (RE: NFR NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

No discussion

NON-PUBLIC SESSION **20 20**

Motion by Commissioner Garant at 6:00 PM to enter into non-public session in accordance pursuant to N.H. RSA 91-A:3, subsection 2C by roll call, which is required, to discuss matters which, if discussed in public, could adversely affect the reputation of any person other than a member of this public body itself, unless that person requests an open meeting.
Seconded by Commissioner Marquis
Vote: passed 5-yes – by roll call

20 20 A

Motion by Commissioner Garant that the Board comes out of non-public session at 6:44PM

Seconded by Commissioner Marquis

Vote: passed 5-yes

MOTION Seal Minutes of Non-Public Session

20 20 B

Motion by Commissioner Garant to seal the minutes of the Non-Public session until such time the board decides to unseal them. The reason for sealing the minutes is that divulgence of this information could adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a member of the board.

Seconded by Commissioner Burgess

Vote: passed 5-yes

MOTION TO ADJOURN

20 21

Motion by Commissioner Marquis to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 PM

Seconded by Commissioner Burgess

Vote: passed 5-yes

TIME AND LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday, March 2, 2020, 5:30 pm
at 177 Lake Street, Classroom

Dates and Locations of Other Events/Meetings: