# STAMFORD FIRE COMMISSION

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**Revised & Approved- Minutes -Regular Meeting of the Fire Commission held Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at 5:30 pm**

(per Fire Commission meeting held 1/30/13)

**Roll Call:** Chairman Rizzuto called the meeting to order at 5:36pm. Those in attendance were: Commissioners Rizzuto, Freccia, and Melzer; Fire Chief Antonio Conte, A/C Smith; Director Jankowski
Absent: Commissioners Perry and Tungaturthy

**Public Comment:** None

**Chief's Report:**

- Personnel issues:
  - Recruits are doing very well. There will be a Swearing in Ceremony on January 3, 2012. Catholic High School at 7pm. Chief Conte stated that he is confident that with the training the probationary firefighters were given they may be placed anywhere within the City and they will perform well. Commissioner Freccia asked if there was a way that the new firefighters will be identified within the groups. Chief Conte stated that probationary firefighters will be designated with an orange square on their helmet.
- Incidents:
  - Hurricane Sandy – Chief Conte stated that there was a "Fema kick off" meeting held yesterday. Discussion took place.

**New Business:**

- Director Jankowski gave a brief overview on the Charter Revision and where it stands. He stated that it is in process and being reviewed by the Legal department. Discussion arose as to the position of Fire Marshal and it was asked if Barry Callahan had to be reappointed. Commissioner Freccia stated that as Vice Chairman of the Charter Revision Commission, to his best recollection, that the Charter Revision Commission did not intend to mandate the re-appointment of Fire Marshal. However, there was discussion and intent for the Mayor to appoint a new Fire Chief. If the legal department believes that the Fire Marshal be re-appointed, Commissioner Freccia recommends that it be resolved expendentially. Commissioner Freccia stated that the appointment of the Fire Marshal is done by the Fire Commission Director Jankowski added that the Charter revisions are being reviewed by Legal and the lawyers are working on it. Commissioner Rizzuto asked if any aggressive positions were being taken by the Volunteer departments. Director Jankowski responded that collaborate efforts are being made. Interim procedures are being implemented by the legal department. Commissioners Freccia and Melzer recommended that Chief Conte be re-appointed, as he is the best man for the job. Discussion took place.

Commissioner Freccia requested a decision from the Director and asked that appointment to the position of Fire Marshal be put on the January 2013 agenda.

**Fire Commission Committees:** **NA**

**Approval of Minutes:** By motion duly made the minutes of the November 2012 meeting were approved.

**Adjournment:** By motion duly made the meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm

The next meeting of the Fire Commission will be held on January 30, 2013