

HYANNIS FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

*approved  
as  
corrected  
P Cronin  
8/22/24*

|                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| Date of Meeting: | Thursday, July 25, 2024  |
| Meeting Place:   | 95 High School Road Extension, Hyannis, MA 02601 and Zoom Meeting and Dial-in Number: 781-368-1701 |

A quorum being duly present, Chairperson Cronin called the July 25, 2024 Hyannis Fire District Commissioner Regular Meeting to order at 7:03 PM

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Laura Cronin, Commissioners Peter Cross, Alex Mercado, and Victor Skende  
**ALSO PRESENT:** Chief Peter Burke (Zoom), District Clerk-Treasurer TK Menesale, Assistant Chief Gregory Dardia, Deputy Chief Jeffrey Lamothe, and HFD Recording Secretary Colleen Murphy  
**ABSENT:** Commissioner Demetrius Atsalis

I. OPEN SESSION:

1. MINUTES:

- Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to approve the minutes of May 9, 2024

**VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

Vote recorded as follows:

- Chairperson Cronin: Aye
- Commissioner Cross: Aye
- Commissioner Skende: Aye
- Commissioner Mercado: Aye

- Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to approve the minutes of May 23, 2024

**VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

Vote recorded as follows:

- Chairperson Cronin: Aye
- Commissioner Cross: Aye
- Commissioner Skende: Aye
- Commissioner Mercado: Aye

2. CORRESPONDENCE:

- None

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- None

4. STREETLIGHTS:

- Chairperson Cronin checked with the board to see if there were any issues or outstanding streetlight concerns
- Commissioner Cross said there is an ongoing issue with Sea Street as it has decorative lights over the streetlights; he stated that the decorative lights should be taken off so as not to impede the streetlights' function

*decorative*

*Street*

*Street*

4. STREETLIGHTS (continued):

- Commissioner Cross suggested to the board that it should make a new list of streetlight concerns and send it to Commissioner Atsalis to follow up with the board

5. OLD BUSINESS:

- None

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

- None

**7. BUILDING REPORT:**

- The air conditioning system has been tested to the maximum during this extreme heat wave; the air conditioning and the doors have been working well despite the high humidity

**8. ITEMS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY CHAIR**

- Chairperson Cronin gave an update on the By-law meeting which will occur on Monday  
- Chairperson Cronin stated the final By-laws are updated and the updated By-laws will be posted online

**9. CHIEF'S REPORT**

- The summer camp had 29 children who started on Monday and graduated on Friday; there is a link available and photos have been uploaded to the HFD website; the camp was a highly successful and well-organized event  
- The board discussed the success of the camp  
- The Firehouse software update continues; this update is quite extensive; the software update is going as planned  
- The new union contract has been implemented; the evaluation process will start in 2025  
- The FF interview process is complete; 6 conditional offers of employment have been offered;  
- Both fireboats are now in service; Marine 1 had minor repairs last week  
- The 9/11 Memorial was escorted in town tonight; it will stay overnight at the Irish Village Hotel; tomorrow it will be escorted to the Town of Barnstable offices' parking lot; it will be open for public viewing throughout the weekend; this event coincides with the Love Local Fest  
- Chairperson Cronin commented on the importance of supporting this memorial  
- Commissioner Skende asked about the status of the open Lieutenant position  
- The 30-day posting for the Lieutenant position will come to a close soon and then we will start the hiring evaluation process  
- HFD is about 80 calls below last year's call numbers  
- Chief Burke said the insurance representative could not attend the August HFD Commissioners regular meeting, but he is available for the September meeting to discuss the 2025 insurance policy board review  
- The board discussed the policy start date's importance and impact on the budget  
- Chief Burke will follow up regarding the policy start date suggested change

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- None

Vote on Adjournment of public session:

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to Adjourn the public session

**VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

Vote recorded as follows:

Chairperson Cronin: Aye

Commissioner Cross: Aye

Commissioner Skende: Aye

Commissioner Mercado: Aye

Adjourned at 7:23 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Murphy, HFD Recording Secretary

**MEETING AGENDA**  
**HYANNIS FIRE DISTRICT - BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
NOTICE OF MEETING IN ACCORDANCE WITH M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20(b)  
Laura Cronin- Chair

**DATE OF MEETING:** Thursday, July 25, 2024  
**TIME:** 7:00 PM  
**PLACE:** 95 High School Road Extension, Hyannis, MA 02601

---

**REMOTE PARTICIPATION:**

On **July 25, 2024**, a meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be conducted at the HYANNIS FIRE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS. Real-time Public comment can be addressed to the Board utilizing the Zoom link or telephone number and access code listed below:

Link: Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://zoom.us/j/5042956607>  
Meeting ID: 504 295 6607  
For Public Comment Dial: 1-305-224-1968  
Password: Hyannis1!

---

**AGENDA & CALL TO ORDER:**

**I. OPEN SESSION**

1. Minutes
2. Correspondence
3. Public Comment
4. Street Lights
5. Old Business
6. New Business
7. Building Report
8. Items not reasonably anticipated by Chair
9. Chiefs Report
10. Public Comment

**ADJOURN**

The Chair reserves the right to call items on the agenda out of order. Items are listed in their approximate order, and items may be reached earlier or later than the posted order. Items listed for executive session may also be discussed in open session. The listing of items contains those items reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. Persons interested are advised that in the event that any matter taken up at the meeting that remains unfinished at the close of the meeting may be put off to a continued session of the meeting, in accordance with the Open Meeting Law.