

**HYANNIS FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING**

<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>Thursday, February 25, 2021</b>
<b>Meeting Place:</b>	<b>95 High School Road Extension, Hyannis, MA 02601 and Zoom Meeting and Dial-in Number: 781-368-1701</b>

A quorum being duly present, Commissioner Cronin called the February 25, 2021 Hyannis Fire District Commissioner Regular Meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

**PRESENT:** Commissioners Laura Cronin, Peter Cross, Victor Skende, Dennis Sullivan, and Demetrius Atsalis

**ALSO PRESENT:** Chief Peter Burke, Acting Deputy Chief Eric Kristofferson, FF Mike Dalmau and Recording Secretary Colleen Murphy

**I. OPEN SESSION:**

**1. MINUTES:**

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to approve as amended the minutes of the February 11, 2021 Regular Meeting

**VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

Vote recorded as follows:

- Commissioner Sullivan: Aye
- Commissioner Cronin: Aye
- Commissioner Skende: Aye
- Commissioner Cross: Aye
- Commissioner Atsalis: Not present at time of vote

**2. CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Commissioner Cronin stated the expense report has been placed in the commissioners' mailboxes
- Commissioner Atsalis now present

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- None

**4. STREET LIGHTS:**

- None

**5. OLD BUSINESS:**

- Commissioner Cronin asked Commissioner Atsalis to place the list of all of the names of the commissioners back on the agenda heading
- Commissioner Atsalis said the commissioners' names had not been listed on the agenda header for awhile but that it made sense to put the names on the agenda again

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

### **6a. Building Report**

- Commissioner Cross said there are various smaller issues that are in process such as solving the insulation problem; other than these smaller problems the building project is pretty much completed
- Commissioner Cross said the boiler issue is understood at this point
- Chief Burke said the LG unit is 100%; the boiler still has issues but he agreed with Commissioner Cross that boiler issue is understood but just has not been solved yet
- Commissioner Cross stated CTA has agreed to deduct \$6165.60 from the building project bill – this money was discussed in the last regular HFD board meeting
- Commissioner Skende stated the drainage in the back of the building (i.e. this goes back to November 5, 2020, it was originally thought to be a grading issue) but now we are being advised that this issue may not be a grading issue
- Commissioner Cronin asked if this drainage problem was causing problems
- Commissioner Skende said that yes, drainage problems did occur during last summer-rain downpours
- Commissioner Cross stated that the transfer switch will be effective March 17, 2021 and the call box which will be located at the fire house outside the front door will be operational on March 17, 2021
- Chief Burke stated they had not heard back yet regarding the 5 tie offs for the training towers
- Chief Burke continued that when the estimate comes in then they can decide what to do about the tie offs
- Commissioner Cross summarized that the amount of issues left is like a trickle of water compared to the waterfall they have had over the last number of months – with the nightly text messages, email and phone calls

## **7. ITEMS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY THE CHAIR:**

- None

## **8. CHIEF'S REPORT**

- Call volume seems to be down over 100 calls from last year at this time, but things seem to be starting to return to pre-pandemic normal
- FF Matt McCarthy has indicated he will retire effective February 26, 2021, he was on long-term injury but has decided not to return and he is not retiring on disability – he served the district well over his 18 years here and is very professional and we also appreciate the way he chose to retire
- We will make this new vacancy a part of our ongoing hire process and hope to bring to you over the next 5 to 8 weeks candidates
- Car 8 lost its motor – we believe, after much due diligence, that replacing the car chassis is the best way to move forward
- We continue to help work on vaccinations – the new Cape Cod vaccine consortium is being started based on guidance that consortiums need to have the ability to do 735 (most recent number) vaccines a day, the county towns, 2 health care centers, and the hospitals are working together to address vaccination concerns
- Commissioner Sullivan asked if FF Matt McCarthy was okay because he was retiring
- Chief Burke stated FF McCarthy was okay but that he had hurt his back and he decided that it was in the best interest of his family and himself to retire

**9. PUBLIC COMMENT**

- None

**II. POTENTIAL EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- None

Vote on Adjournment of public session:

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

**VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

Vote recorded as follows:

Commissioner Skende: Aye

Commissioner Sullivan: Aye

Commissioner Cross: Aye

Commissioner Atsalis: Aye

Commissioner Cronin: Aye

Adjourned at 7:16 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen E. Murphy, Recording Secretary, Hyannis Fire District