FIRE SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES OF MEETING June 19, 2018

The Fire Service Commission held a meeting on Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at the Department of Fire Services, Boards and Commissions Room, Stow, Massachusetts.

Present at the meeting were the following Commission members:

Chief John Nash
Chief Alan J. Roy
Chief Gregory J. Burns
FF Richard D. MacKinnon, Jr.
Adrian Santiago Designee on behalf of Secretary Daniel Bennet

Absent from the meeting were the following Commission members: Captain Michael McCullough Mr. John Golembeski

DFS staff present at the meeting: State Fire Marshal Peter Ostroskey JoAnne Caruso

No guests were present at the meeting.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Chief John Nash at 10:17 a.m.

AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes of March 20, 2018 Meeting

A motion was made by Chief John Nash and seconded Chief Alan J. Roy that the minutes of March 20, 2018, meeting be approved as written. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

B. Credentialing/Re-Credentialing Process

A motion was made Chief John Nash and seconded by Chief Gregory J. Burns to award accreditation to the following:

1. Credentialing –

- Captain Dean Babineau Charlton Fire Department
- Deputy Chief David DePasquale Chatham Fire Department
- Deputy Chief David Goodfellow Lakeville Fire Department
- Captain Adam Hatch Kingston Fire Department
- Captain Antonio Marino Wrentham Fire Department
- Assistant Chief Derek Sencabaugh Lexington Fire Department
- Deputy Chief Shawn Simmons Norton Fire Department
- Captain John Surabian Winchester Fire Department
- Captain Stephen Abell Jr. Rockport Fire Department
- Deputy Chief David Evans West Newbury Fire Department

2. Re-Credentialing -

- Chief Richard K. Arruda Dartmouth District 3 Fire Department
- Commissioner Bernard Calvi Springfield Fire Department
- Chief Brian Hickey Webster Fire Department
- Chief William Hocking Marshfield Fire Department
- Chief Alan Sirois Agawam Fire Department
- Chief Michael Small Falmouth Fire Rescue
- Deputy Chief Timothy Smith Falmouth Fire Rescue
- Chief Michael Winn COMM Fire Department

The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

B. General Issues and Updates from DFS

State Fire Marshal Peter Ostroskey spoke about the upcoming acceptance of a donation from the National Sprinkler Association and the Sprinklers Fitters Union of a "Side-By-Side" sprinkler demonstration prop. Following a recent demonstration in Chicopee it proved to effectively show not just the importance of residential sprinklers but also what a fire looks and acts like in a modern housing space with modern furnishings. Once formally accepted, a public announcement will be made and the prop will be available to communities for demonstration purposes.

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant funding this fiscal year was for a new tractor, a new maze trailer, and a new flashover prop. These strengthen our capabilities in those areas for mobile props. All three have been received, are operable, and are being deployed by the end of this month.

The Department is spending a great deal of time and resources on Active Shooter Awareness. We have had a process in place for over a year and over 500 students have been through the training. The Department will be working in conjunction with local authorities and the Municipal Police Training Academy to ensure consistency, common terminology and common procedure with all new curriculum deliveries. The training will be rolled out with the next round of in service training.

The discussion continues with Division of Labor & Standards with respect to the implementation of the OSHA requirements effective February 2019. The Departments responsibility is to bridge other state agencies for fire service and making sure our deliveries are consistent and supportive to implement and be in compliance with state regulations.

Last week personnel presented or participated at the NFPA Conference, National Fire Academy, IAFC, HazMat Conference on a variety of topics all of which were well received.

Lastly, Deputy General Counsel Peter Senopolous will be retiring at the end of August. ANF has approved a hire to shadow prior him to his departure.

E. Determination of Next Meeting Date and Adjournment

The date of the next meeting of the Fire Service Commission is tentatively scheduled on September 18th at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of Fire Services, Boards and Commissions Room.

A motion to adjourn was made by Chief John Nash and seconded by FF Richard D. MacKinnon, Jr. Said motion was approved by a unanimous vote of the Commission.

The meeting of the Fire Service Commission concluded at 10:45 a.m.