

**FIRE SERVICE COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
May 19, 2022**

The Fire Service Commission held a meeting on Thursday, May 19, 2022, via conference call per COVID-19 Guidelines under Mass. General Law Chapter 30A, Section 20.

Present at the meeting were the following Commission members:

Chief Gregory J. Burns
Captain Michael McCullough
Chief Stephen L. Archer
Chief John S. Ingram
Ms. Roberta Fitzpatrick
Chief Peter Shedd
FF Richard D. MacKinnon Jr.

Commission members absent from the meeting:

Undersecretary Jeanne Benincasa Thorpe

There were no guests present at the meeting.

DFS staff present at the meeting:

State Fire Marshal Peter Ostroskey
General Counsel Glenn Rooney
JoAnne Caruso

Meeting called to order by Chairman Gregory Burns at 1:03 p.m.

AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes of the April 21, 2022 Meeting

A motion was made by FF MacKinnon Jr. and seconded by Captain McCullough to discuss the minutes of the April 21, 2022, meeting.

The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by FF MacKinnon Jr. and seconded Captain McCullough that the minutes of April 21, 2022, meeting be approved as written.

The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

B. Credentialing/Re-Credentialing Process

A motion was made by FF MacKinnon Jr. and seconded by Chief Ingram to award accreditation to:

- Captain Steven Chandler III – Amherst Fire Department

The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Chief Ingram and seconded by FF MacKinnon Jr. to award accreditation to:

- Captain Paul C. Frew – Randolph Fire Department

The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

C. General Issues and Updates from DFS

Marshal Ostroskey briefed the Commission on the Senate budget release and that it is consistent with the budget presentation made to the Commission during our March meeting. The SRB Prop in Bridgewater is behind schedule, but the Department remains confident that it will be completed before the end of the fiscal year. There are three recruit graduations scheduled for tomorrow and the waitlist continues to grow. There is a lot of demand for training at all levels. There were four civilians killed in a multifamily complex in Worcester and some discussion was had regarding current sprinkler system provisions in multifamily homes.

Deputy Marshal Fournier updated the Commission on the MFA Director position, three out of seven candidates moved to round 2 interviews. Very hopeful to have the position filled soon.

D. Determination of Next Meeting Date and Adjournment

The date of the next meeting of the Fire Service Commission will be scheduled for Thursday, June 16th at 10:00am.

A motion to adjourn was made by FF MacKinnon Jr. and seconded by Chief Ingram.

Said motion was approved by a unanimous vote of the Commission.

The meeting of the Fire Service Commission concluded at 1:23 p.m.