

# Town of Marlborough

## Fire Commissioners

Michael Schadtle  
Alan Laliberte  
Kevin Gentile  
Patrick Pabouet  
David LeBlanc



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## Fire Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday March 18, 2024

Time: 18:00

Location: Fire Station #2, 200 West Rd Marlborough CT.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Michael Schadtle called the meeting to order at 18:04 pm.

Present were Alan Laliberte, Pat Pabouet, Kevin Gentile, Dave LeBlanc, and Michael Schadtle.

### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 22, 2024

Mr. Laliberte reported on Page 2, third bullet point of the Fire Chief report should be corrected from “Float” to “Flow”.

Mr. Gentile motioned to approve with noted correction. Mr. LaBlanc seconded. All in favor and motion carried.

### 3. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

### 4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. LeBlanc reported we may need to go out to bid for a water system for Fire Station 2 due to the dry well pushing the price over the limit. He has spoken with Peter Hughes, Director of Planning & Development.

Mr. Laliberte asked if the payment schedule has been received for the truck on order. FC Asklar has been asking for it and it is not yet received. The ship date is approximately September 2025. Final payments would be August/September 2025.

Mr. LeBlanc asked when boat was last run. Mr. Daniel reported it was done 2-3 weeks ago.

Mr. Laliberte emailed the gear list to David Porter, Town Manager, this afternoon. Mr. Schadtler explained the conversation with the BOS regarding gear expenses. Mr. Porter asked for alternate pricing on pants. FC Asklar will report back.

## **5. NEW BUSINESS**

### **6. FIRE CHIEF REPORT – Kevin Asklar**

- FC Asklar asked if Mr. Laliberte had reviewed the spreadsheet regarding gear purchase. He has not.  
Mr. Porter asked questions about the gear. Mr. Porter would like added to the list alternate bunker pants.
- March 3, 2024, was the annual meeting electing officers.  
Chief Kevin Asklar  
Deputy Chief Sam Totedo  
Assistant Chief Spike Daniel  
Fire Captain Jason Bevins  
Fire Captain Todd Cohen  
Rescue Captain Mark Merritt  
Fire Lieutenant Kyle Szemrelyo  
Fire Lieutenant Charlie Grossmann  
Fire Lieutenant Nick Starkowski  
Rescue Lieutenant Al Zabulis
- Had emergency repair on Engine 2.
- New rescue is having updated warrantee work. Back in service 3/19/2024.
- EV solar company next to Fire Station 1 has encroached onto the Fire Station property among other building issues. Property has been surveyed. Attorney is sending letter to property owner regarding encroachment.
- Fire Station 2 outdoor lights timer needs to be adjusted.
- Thank you to the commissioners for attending BOS meeting to discuss budget items.
- May 10, 2024, is awards night at Villa Louisa.
- Mr. Daniel reported on training.
- Invoices submitted for review and approval.

### **7. FIRE MARSHAL REPORT – Joe Asklar**

- No major fires.
- Liquor permits are up.
- 242 West Road renovated to return to bed and breakfast. 2018 fire at this location is going to court for arson charges. FM Asklar would like to know how we compensate the fire fighters for time in court? Commissioners will need to address with the BOS. Mr. Porter needs some guidelines on how many

people and how many days. Mr. Gentile and Mr. Laliberte provided insight into how this was handled in their previous stations. If any fire fighter is subpoenaed, they need to alert the fire chief, commissioners, and town manager. They would need to be represented by the town attorney.

- HVAC system moving forward at town hall.
- Gas station in the center of town is stopped. Supply chain issues.
- Fire danger is very high, no burn permits are being issued.
- Mr. Colantonio submitted an update on the electronic codes.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business Mr. Schadle adjourned the meeting at 18:47.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Monterville  
Board Clerk