SOUTH FIRE DISTRICT
of the City of Middletown
COMMISSIONERS MEETING

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2020, 7:00 p.m.
Via Zoom – Meeting I.D. 821 8094 8484

MINUTES

Present: Commissioners Kleckowski, Thazhampallath (logged in at 7:11 p.m.), Giuliano, Penney; Chief Howley, Deputy Chief Trzaski, Fire Department members, and members of the public.

Absent: Commissioner Bartolotta

1. CALL TO ORDER Co-Chairwoman Kleckowski called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited.

3. AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION HEART SAVER HERO AWARD

Presented to: Richard Rearick, Middlesex Health Paramedic
Michael Nuzzi, Hunter’s Ambulance EMT
Dylan Madore, Hunter’s Ambulance EMT
Lieutenant Timothy Heiden, South Fire District
Firefighter Geoffrey DeFrancesco, South Fire District
Firefighter Jacob Mikos, South Fire District
Firefighter Christopher Smith, South Fire District

4. OPEN PUBLIC SESSION Co-Chairwoman Kleckowski open the Public Session at 7:11 p.m.

No one wished to speak.


5. CLOSE PUBLIC SESSION Co-Chairwoman Kleckowski closed the Public Session at 7:12 p.m.


The Commission expressed their thanks to Deputy Chief James Trzaski for his dedication and service to South Fire District, and wished him well in his future endeavors.

6. MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

A. REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 13, 2020

MOTION to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2020 regular meeting by Comm. Giuliano/Comm. Thazhampallath. Unanimously approved.
B. SPECIAL ELECTION MEETING OF JULY 21, 2020
MOTION to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2020 special election meeting by Comm. Giuliano/Comm. Thazhampallath. Unanimously approved.

7. TAX COLLECTOR’S REPORT was reviewed by the Commission.
   A. TAX REFUNDS
MOTION to approve tax refunds to various taxpayers in the amount of $1,555.79 by Comm. Thazhampallath/Comm. Giuliano. Unanimously approved.


8. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS were reviewed by the Commission.

9. CHIEF’S REPORT
The Commission reviewed the reports submitted by Chief Howley. MOTION to approve the Chief’s Report by Comm. Giuliano/Comm. Thazhampallath. Unanimously approved.

10. DEPUTY CHIEF’S REPORT
The Commission reviewed the reports submitted by Deputy Chief Trzaski. MOTION to approve the Deputy Chief’s Report by Comm. Giuliano/Comm. Thazhampallath. Unanimously approved.

11. FIRE MARSHAL’S REPORT

12. DEPUTY FIRE MARSHAL’S REPORT

13. CAPTAIN’S REPORT
The Commission reviewed the reports submitted by Captain Fischer, MOTION to approve the Captain’s Report by Comm. Thazhampallath/Comm. Giuliano. Unanimously approved.

14. COMMISSIONER REPORTS
   A. PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS – COMM. GIULIANO
The meeting for the month of August was cancelled.
B. BUILDING COMMITTEE – COMM. THAZHAMPALLATH
Commissioner Thazhampallath provided a brief status update and announced Common Council Minority Leader Philip Pessina has been appointed to the Building Committee as of July 6, 2020.

C. PENSION COMMITTEE – COMM. KLECKOWSKI
Commissioner Kleckowski provided a brief update of the administrative meeting regarding amendments.


15. OLD BUSINESS

16. NEW BUSINESS
   A. EMPLOYMENT STATUS – FIREFIGHTER ANTHONY QUARTO
   MOTION to move Firefighter Anthony Quarto from probationary status to permanent full-time status effective August 16, 2019 pending successful completion of the probationary period by Comm. Giuliano/Comm. Thazhampallath. Unanimously approved.

   B. DEPUTY CHIEF POSITION

17. ADJOURNMENT

   Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Submitted by,

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