

**SOUTH FIRE DISTRICT
445 Randolph Road | Middletown, CT**

**Board of Fire Commissioners
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Monday, January 12, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.**

Held at the firehouse and via Zoom - Meeting I.D. 870 6717 7490

ACTION ITEMS

Present: Commissioners Kleckowski, Giuliano, Thazhampallath, and Pessina;
Chief Trzaski and Deputy Chief Fischer

Absent: Commissioner Gregorio

● **AGENDA ITEM 3) ACCEPT/AMEND AGENDA**

MOTION to amend the agenda under New Business to add "Approval of the 2026 Schedule of Meetings" by Comm. Giuliano/Comm. Pessina. Unanimously approved.

● **AGENDA ITEM 7 a) TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTS / TAX REFUNDS – DECEMBER 2025**

MOTION to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$8,548.79 by Comm. Thazhampallath/Comm. Giuliano. Unanimously approved.

● **AGENDA ITEM 12 a) NEW BUSINESS – APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SOUTH FIRE DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN AND LOCAL 3918 OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS**

MOTION to approve and execute the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the South Fire District of the City of Middletown and Local 3918 of the International Association of Firefighters by Comm. Thazhampallath/Comm. Pessina. Unanimously approved.

● **MOTION** to vacate the last vote on item 12 a) and substitute that with a motion to reject the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the South Fire District of the City of Middletown and Local 3918 of the International Association of Firefighters by Comm. Giuliano/Comm. Pessina. Unanimously approved.

● **MOTION** to reject the contract by Comm. Giuliano/Comm. Pessina. Unanimously opposed; the motion to reject the contract failed.

● **AGENDA ITEM 12 b) NEW BUSINESS – APPROVAL OF THE 2026 MEETING DATES
(The meeting dates are attached to these minutes)**

MOTION to approve the 2026 meeting dates by Comm. Giuliano/Comm. Pessina. Unanimously approved.

- **AGENDA ITEM 13) EXECUTIVE SESSION**

MOTION to enter into executive session pursuant to Statutes Section 1-200(6)(A) and Section 1-225(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, to conduct a performance review of the fire chief.

Executive Session began at 7:47 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Kleckowski, Giuliano, Thazhampallath, and Pessina; Chief Trzaski

Executive Session ended at 8:24.

- **AGENDA ITEM 16) ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION to adjourn by Comm. Giuliano/Comm. Pessina. Unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned without Agenda Item 14) *Open Public Session – Items Not on the Agenda.*

MOTION to reopen the meeting by Comm. Giuliano/Comm. Pessina. Unanimously approved.

MOTION to adjourn by Comm. Giuliano/Comm. Pessina. Unanimously approved.

Submitted by,

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