

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

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING – BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES
Thursday, May 14, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.**

Held at the firehouse and via Zoom - Meeting I.D. 898 1635 3418

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

Absent: Commissioners Gregorio and Thazhampallath

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Kleckowski called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited.

3. BUDGET WORKSHOP

South Fire District will not be able to collect motor vehicle taxes due to the Middletown Common Council's approval of a 33.3 mill rate and the State of Connecticut motor vehicle 32.46 mill rate cap. Chief Trzaski is waiting for a response from the fiscal administrative officer at OPM regarding reimbursement through the state's motor vehicle grant.

Chief Trzaski gave a brief overview of the proposed budget. The administrative staff answered questions asked by the commissioners. The commissioners were very pleased that the mill rate will remain at 5.311 for the fourth fiscal year.

4. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn by Comm. Pessina/Comm. Giuliano. Unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Submitted by,

ACCEPTED 6/8/2026

Alyse McEwen

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Recording Secretary

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