

**The Board of Fire Commissioners  
Portsmouth Fire Department**

Station 1  
April 15, 2003

Portsmouth, NH  
1900 hours

**I. Call to Order:**

Chairman Hughes called the meeting to order at 1905 hours. Deputy Achilles led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Commissioners Hughes, Wentworth and Gamester; Chief LeClaire and Deputy Chief Achilles.

**II. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Motion to accept the minutes of March 18, 2003 made by Commissioner Gamester, seconded by Commissioner Wentworth, unanimous.

**III. Reports:**

A. Fire Chief's Reports:

Motion made to accept Chief's Reports 03-015 through 03-019 by Commissioner Gamester, seconded by Commissioner Wentworth, unanimous.

B. Other:

**IV. Old Business:**

Chief LeClaire spoke briefly about budget report – offset expenses by eliminating the 14<sup>th</sup> firefighter at night bringing shifts to 13/13.

**V. Presentations of Written Communications:**

Received a thank you note from Seacoast Service Link regarding 1039 Islington Street fire.

Motion made by Commissioner Gamester, to accept and place on file, seconded by Commissioner Wentworth, unanimous.

**VI. New Business:**

General discussion on fleet of vehicles and the status. Chief sat on C2F2 Committee – issue on curriculum – NHFST.

Captain Marvin moved to days to work on EMA – Fire Boat.

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**VII. Recognition of Groups of Individuals:**

Chief recognized Mechanics Jim Rivais and Mark Bettencourt.

**VIII. Public Hearings:** None.

**IX. Non-public Session:**

Motion to enter into Non-public made by Commissioner Gamester at 1918 hours, seconded by Commissioner Wentworth, unanimous.

Motion to come out of Non-public made by Chairman Hughes at 2000 hours, seconded by Commissioner Gamester, unanimous, with no votes taken.

**X. Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn at 2001 hours made by Commissioner Gamester, seconded by Commissioner Wentworth, unanimous.

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Richard Gamester, Clerk