

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

Station 1
February 16, 2005

Portsmouth, NH
1900 hours

I. Call to Order:

Commissioner Gamester called the meeting to order at 1900 hours and led Pledge of Allegiance. Along with Commissioner Gamester present were Commissioner Wentworth, Chief LeClaire, Assistant Chief Achilles, Deputy Chief Griswold, Firefighter McQuillen, Local 1313, Peter Brosciano, and representatives of Fosters, Portsmouth Herald and Portsmouth Taxpayers Association.

II. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Motion, to accept the minutes of January 27, 2005, made by Commissioner Wentworth, seconded by Commissioner Gamester, unanimous.

III. Reports:

A. Fire Chief's Reports:

Motion, to accept Chief's Reports 05-011 through 05-015, made by Commissioner Wentworth, seconded by Commissioner Gamester, unanimous.

B. Other (to included internal dept. written communications): None.

IV. Old Business:

After brief discussion regarding letter received from PHA and it's non-recognition by the Mayor at an earlier City Council meeting, Chief LeClaire noted the Mayor apologized to him and read letter at Public Session of the Council meeting this past week.

V. Presentations of Written Communications:

Chief LeClaire shared thank you note he received from Richard Duddy regarding his niece doing an internship here at the fire department.

Letter written by Association of Portsmouth Taxpayers was presented to the Commission.

Motion, to accept and place on file, the thank you note from Richard Duddy and letter from Association of Portsmouth Taxpayers, made by Commissioner Gamester, seconded by Commissioner Wentworth, unanimous.

Minutes from February 16, 2005 Continued:

VI. New Business:

Presentation made on the FY 2006 Budget Proposal.

Motion, to send forward to the City Council, the FY 2006 Budget Proposal approved by the Commission on this date, 2/16/2005, made by Commissioner Gamester, seconded by Commission Wentworth, unanimous.

VII. Recognition of Groups of Individuals:

Commissioner Gamester commented on news article he read in Portsmouth Herald regarding Ff. Gionet and his working efforts with the Rye Fire Department to which, successfully saved a life of a heart attack victim in Rye. All should be commended for their efforts.

VIII. Public Hearings: None.

IX. Non-public Session: None.

X. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 2020 hours made by Commissioner Wentworth, seconded by Commissioner Gamester, unanimous.

Richard Gamester, Clerk