

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

Fire Station 2
George Pierce Training Room
October 12, 2021

Portsmouth, NH
1800 hours

I. Call To Order

At 1805 hours

*In attendance firefighters Sullivan, Wade, Brighton, Dame and Anderson. Lt
Kenneway, Capt. Gionet, Deputy Howe & Assistant Chief McQuillen*

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Lead by Chief Germain

III. Approval of Minutes Previous Meeting

21-098 Approval of minutes from September 22, 2021

Motion by Gamester, second by Mosher-Matthes. Carries unanimous

IV. Public Comment Session

none

V. Presentation of Written Communications

none

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21-086 Thank you letter from Michael Kraus, SMSgt, NHANG

21-087 Thank you email from Maria Stephanou, Walk to End Alzheimer's

21-088 Thank you note from Christy Laurence, South Pittsburg, TN

*Read and placed on file, Motion by Gamester, second by Mosher-Matthes. Carries
unanimous*

VII. Recognition of Groups or Individuals

none

VIII. Reports

A. Fire Chief's Reports

21-090 2021 Response Report

21-091 Fire & EMS Calls

21-092 FY22 Budget

21-093 Overtime Analysis Report – September 2021

*Questions on responses and overtime analysis for the Chief and some discussion.
Motion by Gamester, second by Mosher-Matthes. Carries unanimous*

B. Staff Reports

Deputy Howe reported out that both Fire Prevention Officers Putney and Wheeler are closing in on their DFPE certificates. Fire Prevention month has all involved busy with public education activities and announced the activities around fall fest on 10/23 including the live fire and sprinkler demonstration. Also reported out on the City Building Inspector search, a new mechanical inspector is in place and there is no direct impact on the fire prevention activities yet.

Assistant Chief McQuillen gave a demonstration of the new technology upgrades at the training room, and also showed the Commission a demonstration on the new HVAC computerized controls at stations 1 & 2. He then then explained the new training program vector and demonstrated its use and other modules that are planned to be implemented.

IX. Old Business

21-094 New Tower Status Update

Chief Germain reports new Tower is in production line and competition expected in November, further updates to follow.

X. New Business

Chief Germain explained the purpose and scope for each of the agreements.

21-095 Firefighter Recruitment: Portsmouth Firefighters Association MOU

*Motion by Gamester, second by Mosher-Matthes to execute the MOA as written.
Carries unanimous*

21-096 Extension of Probation MOU for Firefighter Idarraga

*Motion by Gamester, second by Mosher-Matthes to execute the MOA as written.
Carries unanimous*

21-097 Extension of Probation MOU for Firefighter Godfrey

*Motion by Gamester, second by Mosher-Matthes to execute the MOA as written.
Carries unanimous*

XI. Adjournment

Motion by Gamester, second by Mosher-Matthes to adjourn at 1855. Carries unanimous


11/9/21.