

REGULAR MEETING

**WATERTOWN FIRE DISTRICT
DISTRICT COMMISSION**

DATE: March 13, 2023
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE: District Office
24 DeForest Street
Watertown, CT 06795

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Steve Ouellette, Chairman	Present
James Lehner	Absent
Anthony Martone	Absent
Robert Yerger	Present
Pedro Soares	Absent
Mark Crane, Alternate	Absent
Carl Minicucci, Alternate	Absent
Barbara Zulkeski, Alternate	Present

1. Call meeting to order

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present were Commissioners Ouellette and Yerger, and Alternate Commissioner Zulkeski. Commissioners Lehner, Martone, Soares, and Alternate Commissioners Crane and Minicucci were absent.

ALSO PRESENT:

Watertown Fire District Superintendent Michael Tanuis, and Watertown Fire District Employees Vincent Tanuis and Heather Edwards, and Attorney Franklin Pilicy.

3. Public Commentary

There was no public commentary.

MOTION: By Mr. Robert Yerger and seconded by Ms. Barbara Zulkeski to close public commentary.

Motion passes unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: By Mr. Robert Yerger and seconded by Ms. Barbara Zulkeski to approve the minutes from the Tuesday, February 14, 2023 Regular Meeting.

Motion passes unanimously.

5. Discussion of Draft Budget for FY 2023-2024

The draft budget for FY 2023-2024 was reviewed, and a brief discussion took place. The budget for FY 2023-2024 will be discussed further at the April meeting.

6. Update on the Waterbury/Watertown Sewer Lawsuit

MOTION: By Ms. Barbara Zulkeski and seconded by Mr. Robert Yerger to add Agenda Item #8A – Executive Session for Update on the Waterbury/Watertown Sewer Lawsuit.

Motion passes unanimously.

7. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Tanuis reported that the asbestos abatement in the basement of the Fire District office is complete.

8. Chairman's Report

The Chairman had nothing to report.

8A. Executive Session for Update on the Waterbury/Watertown Sewer Lawsuit

MOTION: By Ms. Barbara Zulkeski and seconded by Mr. Robert Yerger to go into Executive Session at 7:14 p.m. to discuss the update on the Waterbury/Watertown Sewer Lawsuit.

Motion passes unanimously.

Invited into Executive Session along with the board members were Mike Tanuis, Vincent Tanuis, Heather Edwards, and Attorney Franklin Pilicy.

All those in Executive Session are now out of Executive Session and no votes were taken. Executive Session ended at 8:35 p.m.

MOTION: By Mr. Robert Yerger and seconded by Ms. Barbara Zulkeski to exit Executive Session.

Motion passes unanimously.

9. Adjournment

MOTION: By Ms. Barbara Zulkeski and seconded by Mr. Robert Yerger to adjourn the Regular Meeting of Monday, March 13, 2023 at 8:35 p.m.

Motion passes unanimously.

Steve Ouellette, Chairman