



Town of New Fairfield

*Selectmen's Office
4 Brush Hill Road
New Fairfield, Connecticut*

SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING ZOOM MEETING

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/98153769071>

Meeting ID: 981 5376 9071

Dial In: 1(929) 205-6099

**TUESDAY, January 9, 2024
7:30 P.M.**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Comment
4. Approve Minutes of School Safety and Security Committee Special Meeting June 13, 2022 and October 25, 2023
5. Discuss Incident Command Systems Training
6. Review Location of SOC

Executive Session Anticipated
7. Possible Action Regarding Executive Session Item
8. Adjournment

Received by email on 01/08/2024 @ 8:48 a.m.
by Chrystie M. Bontempo, Asst. Town Clerk, New Fairfield

Town of New Fairfield
School Safety and Security Committee

MINUTES

Monday, June 13, 2022

6:45 P.M.

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Dr. Richard Sanzo gave a brief overview of the rules and procedures for having a virtual meeting.

Members present:

Patricia Del Monaco, First Selectman
Samantha Mannion, BOE
Nick Ieraci, Sgt. Resident Trooper
Phil Ross, Director of Facilities
Mark Benninson, BOF

Other Town Officials Present:

Dr. Richard Sanzo, Director of Business Operations
Police Officer David Koonitsky
Ed Sbordone, BOE
Olga Melnikov, Director of Finance

Call to Order

Patricia Del Monaco, First Selectman, called the meeting to order on Monday, June 13, 2022 at approximately 6:45p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Meeting Dates

Pat Del Monaco suggested that in the interest of time, in order to get to the topics on the agenda, the next meeting will be arranged via email since everyone would like to attend the 7:30 BOF meeting. There were no objections.

Staff Training Update

Selectman Del Monaco asked if there is going to be training specific to the new CELA building for teachers and staff in regards to safety and security features in the new building.

Dr. Sanzo said that they have already been working with Alteris, the security consultants, over the course of the year. Brian Shanahan works with each building administrator and their emergency response teams about their security protocols. The procedures needed for combining the new buildings will be finalized over the summer and will be communicated to the staff at the beginning of the year. They are also looking into renewing the training done with everyone on the Simple 6 Protocol and will also do the training with the full staff in all buildings.

SRO Staffing, SOC Location, School Construction Security

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to enter into Executive Session for these three topics and invited Dr. Rich Sanzo, Dave Koonitsky, Olga Melnikov, and Ed Sbordone. Samantha Mannion seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Office Koonitsky excused himself to go back to the Senior Parade and Pat Del Monaco made a motion to reenter the regular session. Samantha Mannion seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to recommend to the Board of Selectmen, Board of Education and Board of Finance to relocate the Security Operations Center, as discussed in Executive Session, and add a permanent SRO position to the elementary schools. Samantha Mannion seconded the motion. Nick Ieraci, Pat Del Monaco, Mark Beninson, Samantha Mannion and Phil Ross were in favor and the motion carried.

Adjournment

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mark Benninson seconded the motion. All were in favor to adjourn.

Received by email on 06/15/2022 @ 10:35 a.m.
by Chrystie M. Bontempo, Asst. Town Clerk, New Fairfield

Town of New Fairfield
School Safety and Security Committee

MINUTES

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

7:30 P.M.

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Quintin Flower gave a brief overview of the rules and procedures for having a virtual meeting.

Members present:

Patricia Del Monaco, First Selectman
Samantha Mannion, BOE
Nick Ieraci, Sgt. Resident Trooper
Phil Ross, Director of Facilities
Mark Beninson, BOF
Carrie DePuy, Director of Business Operations
Maria Evans, OEM Director

Other Town Officials Present:

Derrek Guertin, Fire Marshal
Bruce Taylor, Fire Chief
Don Kellogg, PBC Chairman
Dominic Cipollone, BOE Chairman
Lori-Ann Beninson, Selectman

Call to Order

Patricia Del Monaco, First Selectman, called the meeting to order on Wednesday, October 25, 2023 at approximately 7:40 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

Resident Amy Johnson asked about there being no approval of prior meeting minutes on the agenda and she was wondering how often the Committee meets since she could not find the previous meeting on the website. First Selectman Del Monaco said this was an omission on the agenda and the approval of the minutes would be on the agenda at the next quarterly meeting. The purpose of the Committee is to meet quarterly if there is subject matter to discuss and any if there are any issues, they can be discussed with all three boards simultaneously, the BOE, BOF and BOS.

Meeting Dates

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to approve the quarterly 2024 calendar on the second Tuesday of the month for regular meetings since that seems to be a day with the fewest meetings of other boards. She referred to the dates on the proposed calendar. Samantha Mannion seconded the motion and all were in favor and the motion passed.

Discuss and Possibly Vote to Add Fire Marshal to Committee

Pat Del Monaco discussed adding the Fire Marshal and Lead Dispatcher in the SOC to the Committee since it is important for them to be involved in the decision making to add information from time to time. She made a motion to approve adding them to the Committee. Samantha Mannion seconded the motion and all were in favor and the motion passed.

Review Safety/Security Assets of New Schools

Pat Del Monaco said that reviewing the safety and security assets of the new schools is a sensitive security issue and she made a motion to enter into Executive Session and to invite Vinny Mancuso, Security, Derrek Guertin, NF Fire Marshal, Don Kellogg, PBC Chairman, Dominic Cipollone, BOE Chairman, Lori-Ann Benison, Selectman, Christine O'Hare, JCJ Architecture, Bruce Taylor, Fire Chief and James D'Amico, NF High School Principal into the

Executive Session. Maria Evans seconded the motion and all were in favor and the motion passed. Executive Session was entered at approximately 7:48 p.m.

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to reenter the regular meeting at approximately 8:48 p.m., which was seconded by Samantha Mannion and voted in favor and passed by all members.

Adjournment

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lori-Ann Beninson seconded the motion. All were in favor to adjourn. Pat Del Monaco thanked Christine O'Hare and Don Kellogg for attending the meeting.

Received by email on 10/30/2023 @ 12:13 p.m.
by Chrystie M. Bontempo, Asst. Town Clerk, New Fairfield

Jean Green

From: Maria Evans
Sent: Thursday, January 4, 2024 10:00 AM
To: Derrek Guertin; Kenneth Crow; Carrie Depuydretel;
mannion.samantha@newfairfieldschools.org; NF Chief; Phil Ross; Nick Ieraci; Mark
Beninson; Melissa Lindsey; Glenn Magyar
Cc: Jean Green; Gail Defeo; Claire Richichi; Sharon Boniello
Subject: INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEMS IN SCHOOL

Internal (mevans@newfairfieldct.gov)

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Hello and Happy New Year everyone!

I will not be able to attend the School Safety and Security meeting next week. However, I did want to share training that would be prudent for the BOE administrators and first responders. The description is as follows:

Incident Command System in Schools (2 Hours)

Participants will be introduced to using the ICS in Connecticut schools.

The intended audience is anyone expected to assist during a planned event or emergency incident involving the school system.

The program will also cover several resources available to schools.

- **FEMA Mission Area(s): Respond, Recover; Core Capability: Operational Coordination**

This training opportunity is available at no cost through DEMHS.

If we can settle on a couple dates, I can arrange the training here in Town.

School administrators, First Responders -including Public Works, Communications and members of the CEO's Unified Command are the targeted audience.

This is training that will better prepare us, make us more resilient and communicate across agencies with a better understanding of all the stakeholder's responsibilities and duties. There is always room to improve on readiness and response. This is a well spent two hours.

Please email me with any questions. I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you

Maria Evans





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