

TRUMBULL CENTER FIRE DISTRICT

860 WHITE PLAINS ROAD

TRUMBULL, CONN. 06611



Annual Meeting Minutes May 19, 2025

Opening:

The Annual District Meeting of the Trumbull Center Fire District was called to order at 7:03pm, by Chairman Riggs.

Present:

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| ○ Ed Riggs, Chairman | ○ Michael Andreana, District Atty |
| ○ Alex Relkin, Commissioner | ○ Dave Tiago, Maintenance |
| ○ Tom Dufficy, Commissioner | ○ Pat McCarty |
| ○ Sandra Mulligan, Tax Collector | ○ Paul Ruskay |
| ○ Marisa Petriello, Treasurer | ○ Emily Shea |
| ○ Rich Gregory, Chief | ○ Abby Relkin |

Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order @ 7:03 pm, 12 attendees
2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Riggs
3. Moment of Silence for members who have passed
4. Reading of Legal Notice by Chairman Riggs
 - Motion to accept Legal Notice as presented, by A Relkin, second from P Ruskay, all in favor.
5. Chief's Report – Presented by Rich Gregory, Chief (see attached)
 - Motion to accept Chief's Report as presented, by P McCarty, second from A Relkin, all in favor.
6. Vote on the resolution to approve an amendment to the Bylaws of the District to expand the Board of Fire Commissioners from three (3) commissioners to (5) commissioners.
 - Motion to accept Amendment to the Bylaws as presented, by E Riggs, second from A Relkin, all in favor
7. Election of District Commissioners – Nominations made at April meeting:
 - Alex Relkin for the term of 3 years ending June 30, 2028;
 - Pat McCarty for the term beginning May 20, 2025 and ending June 30, 2027;
 - Paul Ruskay for the term beginning May 20, 2025 and ending June 30 2026.

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- Motion for secretary to cast one ballot per nominee, made by T Dufficy, second A Relkin, all in favor. Alex Relkin, Pat McCarty and Paul Ruskay have all accepted their respective positions and all in favor.
8. Adoption of the Budget
- Tax Collection Report: motion to accept report as presented, made by P McCarty, second from P Ruskay, all in favor.
 - Treasurer's Report: motion to accept report as presented, by P McCarty, second from P Ruskay, all in favor.
 - Proposed Budget: motion to accept report as presented, by P McCarty, second from P Ruskay, all in favor.
 - Anticipated Revenue: motion to accept report as presented, by P McCarty, second from P Ruskay, all in favor.
9. Setting of the Mill Rate: proposed mill rate of 1.23
- Motion to accept, by P McCarty, second by T Dufficy, all in favor.
10. Vote on resolution to approve the District's 2025/26 operating budget
- Motion to accept, by P McCarty, second P Ruskay, all in favor.
11. Any Other Action – No other action.
- Motion to adjourn, by P McCarty, second E Shea, all in favor.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm by Chairman Riggs. The next regular meeting will be at 7:00pm on June 3, 2025.

Minutes submitted by:

S Mulligan, Secretary

Approved by:

Trumbull Center Fire District Commissioners

TRUMBULL VOLUNTEER FIRE CO., NO. 1, INC.

860 WHITE PLAINS RD.



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05/19/2025

Annual Report to
Trumbull Center Fire District

Total alarms for the district calendar year 2024-2025 **771**, which is **102** call over the previous year. This increase can be attributed to the weather including 2 significant flooding events which averaged approximately **35** calls per occurrence.

Year	2023-2024	2024-2025	Increase
Alarms	669	771	102

Of the **771** alarms, **492** were in the Trumbull Center Fire District. Trumbull Center provided automatic aid to Long Hill **143** times, and Nichols **81** times. Out of town mutual-aid was provided to our surrounding communities **6** times. While there has been a steady increase in the number of alarms, the drastic increase is accounted for in 2 large weather occurrences.

Notable incidents include a drowning at Pinewood Lake and Fatal motorcycle accident a few hours later in July of 2024 and a fatal structure fire in February of 2025.

With a steady increase of critical incidents, members from Long Hill, Trumbull Center, and Nichols have created the “Trumbull Fire Department Peer Support Team” and have been crucial in debriefing critical incidents while promoting firefighter mental health.

Over the past calendar year, we have increased our certification levels through the State of Connecticut Commission of Fire Prevention and Control: 4 members achieved firefighter I, 2 members achieved firefighter II, and 1 member achieved State Instructor I.

Members continue to train on a weekly basis and have conducted additional training on acquired commercial structures in the Trumbull Center Shopping Plaza. I would like to thank our training committee and Trumbull Center Management for making this happen.

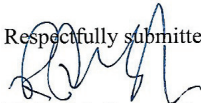
Over the last year we have developed a training program specific to our junior members and it has been huge success. This program was launched and piloted by Firefighter Rocco Umbro and continues to grow with the support of our Officers and Senior Firefighters.

Most importantly there were only minor injuries to firefighters at alarms or drills which resulted in no loss of time. Additionally, we have had 100% of our personnel who remain active have performed the minimum OSHA state training requirements, SCBA fit testing and firefighter physicals.

Our fire officers have again managed to meet NFPA requirements for PPE including all of our suppression personnel gear, the SCBA flow tests and air bottle hydrostatic testing. I would like to personally thank firefighter Christopher Liotti for his many years behind the scenes as our SCBA liaison. Chris will be stepping down as the primary point of contact yet will continue to assist. I would also like to thank Firefighter Megan Morra for stepping up to assume Chris's role as well as Dave Tiago for all of his hard work supporting our mission of compliance.

We are of course grateful that the district continues to support the efforts of the member of the Trumbull Volunteer Fire Company both financially and with their labor to provide the infrastructure, apparatus, and equipment needed to provide continuous and professional fire protection to the stakeholders of the district.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard J. Gregory Jr.
Chief of the Department

RESOLUTION OF TRUMBULL CENTER FIRE DISTRICT

RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS OF THE TRUMBULL CENTER FIRE DISTRICT

At the Annual Meeting of the Trumbull Center Fire District (the “District”) held on May 19, 2025, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners (the “Board”) of the Trumbull Center Fire District (the “District”) has historically been composed of three (3) commissioners (the “Commissioners”); and

WHEREAS, the Board adopted a resolution recommending to the District voters that Section 2.1 of the current Bylaws of the District be amended to increase the number of Commissioners from three (3) to five (5), with staggered three-year elected terms; provided that at the 2025 Annual Meeting, three Commissioners shall be elected, one of the Commissioners will be elected for a term beginning on the day after the 2025 Annual Meeting and ending on June 30, 2026, one of the Commissioners will be elected for a term beginning on the day after the 2025 Annual Meeting and ending on June 30, 2027 and one of the Commissioners will be elected for term beginning on the day after the 2025 Annual Meeting and ending on June 30, 2028, and thereafter all Commissioners, as each term ends, shall be elected for three-year terms; and

WHEREAS, any amendments to the Bylaws require a two-thirds (2/3) approving vote of the qualified voters of the District present and voting at a regular or special meeting of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE VOTERS OF THE TRUMBULL CENTER FIRE DISTRICT APPROVE THE FOLLOWING:

Section 1. Section 2.1 of the Bylaws of the District be amended in its entirety to read as follows:

2.1 Board of Fire Commissioners.

The Board shall be composed of five (5) commissioners (the “Commissioners”). Commissioner shall be elected at the Annual Meeting for a term of three (3) years, with each such term beginning on the July 1st following the election and until a successor is elected and qualified. There shall be staggered terms of office for the Commissioners; provided however that at the 2025 Annual Meeting, three Commissioners shall be elected, one of which will be elected for a term beginning on the day after the 2025 Annual Meeting and ending on June 30, 2026, one of which shall be elected for a term beginning on the day after the 2025 Annual Meeting and ending on June 30, 2027 and one of which shall be elected for term beginning on the day after the 2025 Annual Meeting and ending on June 30, 2028, and thereafter all Commissioners, as each term ends, shall be elected for three-year terms. No person shall hold the office of Commissioner unless such person is a registered voter or District taxpayer residing within the District.

Section 2. This Resolution shall be effective as of the date of approval.

RESOLUTION OF TRUMBULL CENTER FIRE DISTRICT

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2025-2026 DISTRICT OPERATING BUDGET

At the Annual Meeting of the Trumbull Center Fire District (the “District”) held on May 19, 2025, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, at each Annual Meeting of the District voters the annual Operating Budget of the District is to be discussed, considered and voted upon; and

WHEREAS, the passage of the annual Operating Budget of the District requires a simple majority approving vote of the qualified voters of the District present and voting at a regular or special meeting of the District.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The proposed 2025-2026 Operating Budget for the District, attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby approved for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year.

Section 2. The tax rate for the District for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year shall be 1.23 mills.

Section 3. This Resolution shall be effective as of the date of approval.