



Public Safety & Transportation Committee Agenda

City of Newton In City Council

SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, May 20, 2019

6:45 PM
Room 205

Item Scheduled for Discussion:

- #169-19 **Appointment of Gino Lucchetti as Newton's Fire Chief**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting the confirmation of Gino Lucchetti as Newton's Fire Chief pursuant to Section 3-3 of the City Charter.

All other items before the Committee will be held without discussion.

Respectfully submitted,

Allan Ciccone, Jr. Chair

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City Councilors,

I write to docket for your consideration a request to approve the appointment of Gino P. Lucchetti as the City's Fire Chief. Currently he serves as the Assistant Fire Chief / Chief of Operations, a position he has held since 2015. He is my clear choice and I am confident that the safety of our City and the excellence of our Fire Department are in good hands with our new Chief, Gino Lucchetti.

As Assistant Chief / Chief of Operations, he has been ably managing response to fires and emergencies, daily scheduling of department personnel, coordinating the activities of the bureaus, participating in union negotiations and budget preparations, and overseeing departmental office functions. In this position he has spent many hours with fellow leaders across the City, forging close working relationships that will prove valuable as he becomes Chief of the Department.

Prior to his current position, he served as Deputy Chief / Shift Commander for four years responsible for shift staffing, strategies and tactics at emergency operations, and procurement of fire tools and equipment. He joined the Department in January 1986 and served in Station 1, Ladder 3. He was promoted to Lieutenant and served as Company Officer of Station 2, Ladder 1 for twelve years from 1991 to 2003. He then served as a Captain until 2011 when he was promoted to the Deputy Chief / Shift Commander position. He is a certified Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) and has been through numerous trainings at the Massachusetts Fire Academy in arson awareness, terrorism response, explosives and bomb threat procedures, vehicle extrication and first responder operations.

Assistant Chief Lucchetti is a "firefighter's firefighter." From his years of service in the Department and his lifelong residence in the City, Assistant Chief Lucchetti's commitment extends to all members of the Fire Department as well as the people who live and work in the City of Newton. He has frequently displayed his ability to be a leader and a listener simultaneously and has the ethical standards and strength to lead.

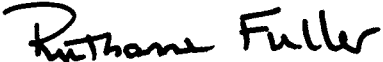
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Assistant Chief Lucchetti has the deep experience necessary to plan, direct, manage and oversee the City of Newton Fire Department and its wide range of activities from fire-fighting, fire prevention, rescue operations, hazardous materials management, incident and disaster management and all other emergencies requiring trained rescue personnel and equipment. Chief Lucchetti will also serve as the Emergency Management Director for the City and be the leader in emergency prevention, protection, mitigation, response and recovery planning and management.

As of May 1st Assistant Chief Lucchetti will serve as Acting Chief until the City Council approval process is completed.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,


Mayor Ruthanne Fuller