

**Belltown Fire Department
Glenbrook Fire Company
Long Ridge Fire Company
Springdale Fire Company
Turn of River Fire Department**

August 8, 2016

Stamford Board of Representatives
888 Washington Blvd.
Stamford, CT 06902

Members of the Board,

As you are aware, we the undersigned chiefs of the volunteer fire companies reached out to the Board to express concerns regarding the mention of the volunteer fire departments within the language of the recently signed career firefighter's contract. At first glance it was shocking to see mention of the volunteer fire companies in a union labor contract as we typically are not involved nor discussed in these agreements. However, after review of the contract language we established a list of concerns which were outlined in our previous letter.

In fact, the volunteer departments fully support our career counterparts who deserve a fair and reasonable contract after working without one for several years. One area of concern which remains is the MOU's concerning the volunteer fire districts; we would like to bring this matter forward to the appropriate board within a timely manner.

We greatly appreciate the Board taking time to hear our concerns. Please feel free to reach out to any of the volunteer chiefs at any time if you wish to obtain further information.

Kind Regards,

The Chiefs of the Volunteer Fire Departments

Chief John Didelot
Chief Shawn Fahan
Chief Frank Passero
Chief Frank Jacobellis
Chief Stuart Teitelbaum

