

May 10, 2016

Board of Fire Wards

Fire Wards present at the meeting: Chief MacDonald, Cliff Plourde, Wayne Blassberg, Dale Smith, and Scott Hunter

Guest: Kaleb Jacobs

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance

Item 1. The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted with a clarification to Item 6.

Item 2. Chief MacDonald suggested summer hours be implemented beginning in June. Wayne Blassberg made a motion: Beginning in June and ending in August the Board of Fire Wards meet only once a month. The motion was seconded by Scott Hunter. All were in favor.

Item 3. Chief MacDonald noted that Steve Sears has made an inquiry at the town office regarding donations made to the fire dept and where they go. Chief MacDonald has suggested that any questions regarding the fire dept be presented to the Board of fire Wards at their meeting. Chief also suggested that a form be filled out by anyone who has an item to be on the Board of Fire Wards agenda. Chief MacDonald passed around a form which is used for selectman meetings as a model. The Board agreed that for discussion items this would be a useful format. The form will be simplified for Board of Fire Ward meetings. The form would include the topic for discussion and the problem if there was one. It was noted that this form was not meant to replace public comment only for agenda items.

Item 4. Wayne Blassberg gave an update of the progress of the building committee. Wayne noted that the fire station in its present location is in the floodplain. Chief MacDonald suggested that Jennifer Gilbert, State coordinator for the National Flood Insurance Program speak to the Board to answer questions and concerns regarding building on the present site.

Dale Smith presented his proposal for a renovation of the existing fire station.

Roundtable

The Board reviewed the Bailey Pond subdivision. Discussion followed regarding the tracking process for subdivisions. Chief MacDonald noted a recent discussion with the Planning Board regarding the "lot of record". Members of the Board requested that a memo be sent to the Planning Board asking for clarification of the "lot of record" in regard to subdivision tracking of lots. It has been the understanding of the Board that a major sub-division consisted of 5 lots - requiring a water supply.

Scott Hunter made a motion to adjourn the meeting the motion was seconded by Wayne Blassberg all were in favor.