

## Board of Fire Wards

May 23, 2016

Fire Ward present: Chief MacDonald, Wayne Blassberg, Cliff Plourde, Dale Smith, Dick Moody, Scott Hunter and Dan Teague

Guests: Kaleb Jacob, and Roger Dignard

Conference call with Jennifer Gilbert – State coordinator for the National Flood Ins.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Item 1. Members of the Board and building committee member Roger Dignard addressed questions to Jennifer Gilbert regarding the flood plain classification in reference to the location of the present fire station. Jennifer noted that the current location of the fire station is in the flood plain. If renovations were to be done on the station in its current location; they would be subject to follow FEMA minimal flood plain standards- if the value of the renovations exceeds 50% of the property value excluding the land value. Discussion followed. It was agreed that renovations would be costly if they exceed 50% of the property value.

Item 2. Wayne Blassberg reviewed Dale Smiths proposal for renovations on the present fire station Roger Dignard – discussed the proposal and addressed concerns from his perspective as an architect and member of the building committee

Item 3. The Board reviewed the minutes of the last meeting. Scott Hunter made the motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Wayne Blassberg. All were in favor.

Item 4 It was noted that a memo has been sent to the Planning Board in regard to the “lot of record” in determining major subdivisions. There has not been a reply from the Board as of this date.

### Roundtable

Dale Smith noted that he will need to order the bark mulch for the front of the fire station. Scott Hunter volunteered to help Dale spread the mulch when delivered.

Dan Teague – Dan noted that the Board should consider ordering a second set of gear for the firefighters. Discussion followed. Chief MacDonald noted that for next years’ budget the Board will need to prioritize safety issues for its members including gear management.

Scott Hunter made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Dan Teague. All were in favor.