

Board of Fire Wards

July 11, 2016

Fire Wards present were: Chief MacDonald, Dick Moody, Dan Teague, Cliff Plourde, Dale Smith and Wayne Blassberg

Guest: Kaleb Jacob

The meeting opened with the Pledge of allegiance

Chief MacDonald asked Mr. Jacob if he had questions for the Board. Mr. Jacob questioned why the building of a station was being pursued if the town had voted down the funds for this pursuit at the town meeting.

Chief MacDonald responded and noted that the members of the building committee are continuing their exploration of a new station and using all possible volunteer resources and limited funds to get an approximate cost of the project to present to town.

Item 1. Chief MacDonald discussed the possibility of hiring per diem daytime coverage.

Item 2. The new ambulance is scheduled to arrive on the first week in September.

Item 3. Chief MacDonald gave an update on the grant for the radio site

Item 4. Chief MacDonald updated the Board on a gear cleaning pilot by Soil-Away, Hooksett, NH

The cleaning of coat, boots, gloves, pants and helmet with an approx cost of \$60. each. - 9 sets of gear. were sent to be cleaned. There was positive feedback when gear was returned. Chief MacDonald suggested that a line item be added to the budget to allow for gear to be scheduled for cleaning.

Item 5. Chief MacDonald noted that work needs to be done by the Board for the 2017 budget and CIP Planning and suggested that summer session end in July and regular meetings begin in August.

Wayne Blassberg made a motion to resume the regular meeting schedule beginning in August. The motion was seconded by Cliff Plourde. All were in favor.

Item 6. Chief MacDonald reviewed a training he attended regarding the challenge of solar panels. He has suggested this information be passed on to members in a training meeting.

Roundtable

Wayne Blassberg noted he had an article regarding an update from the Building Committee for the New Boston Bulletin and asked for the Boards input. Lengthy discussion followed. Dick Moody felt the article was too lengthy. Dick noted that he felt the health issue data in the article pertained to larger stations. Dale Smith noted that the Board needed to explore all options thoroughly before moving forward. Dan Teague suggested an addition to the present station to accommodate some of the space problems. There was no further discussion regarding the article. Wayne Blassberg will edit and resubmit at a later date.

Dale Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Wayne Blassberg. All were in favor.