

Fire Ward Minutes from the August 8 Meeting

Fire Wards in Attendance – Dan MacDonald, Dan Teague, Wayne Blassberg, Dick Moody, Scott Hunter, Cliff Plourde, Dale Smith (recording secretary)

1. Meeting called to order at 7:38 pm
2. No Public forum
3. Review of previous meeting minutes – Motion made to accept minutes as written, by Wayne Blassberg, seconded by Dan Teague
4. New Business:
 - a. Reviewed first pass at proposed CIP plan for 2017. Dan M. to add in year of apparatus on document. Final review and approval at the next Fire Ward meeting. The fire house is in the CIP plan. Corrections needed to be made to the plan are the tanker, SCBA and Hilltop transfer/replacement.
 - b. Next Ward meeting to be moved back one week to enable all Fire Wards to attend the CIP plan review and approval
5. Chief's Report
 - a. Selectmen signed off on the grant agreement for the communications site improvement grant. Next and final step is for the Governor's Council to approve the grant, that should happen at their next meeting in September. Once approved, the Town can begin the project.
 - b. The new ambulance will be delivered before August 18th, will be in service after equipment is moved from old ambulance, sufficient drivers trained on it and the State comes out to inspect and approve it going into service. The current apparatus positions in the bays will change due to the length of the new ambulance.
 - c. There will a "Pinning" ceremony held in the near future for the 2 saves accomplished by the Nbfd and NBPD.
 - d. New applicant John Smith was presented to the Board and it was decided additional information was needed to move forward with approval. Dan M. will have the additional information by next meeting.
6. Old Business – Wayne B. presented the findings of his committee and profession people brought in to evaluate the building and site as a potential location for a new station. The presentation included letters and emails from various engineers, real estate construction and real estate professionals. A motion was made based on the information presented to relocate the new station to the Rte. 13 site. The information included the assessments vs. current coast and evaluation of the existing station at a date to be determined. Estimated cost of the new station was \$2.7M or \$250/sq. ft. The motion was made by Scott Hunter and seconded by Dick Moody, voting in the affirmative were Cliff Plourde, Dan MacDonald, Dan Teague, Wayne Blassberg, Dick Moody and Scott Hunter, one Nay was Dale Smith. Motion passed 6 to 1. A second motion was made to place the new station on the a warrant for the 2017 ballot by Dan Teague, seconded by Cliff Plourde, voting in the affirmative were Cliff Plourde, Dan MacDonald, Dan Teague, Wayne Blassberg, Dick Moody and Scott Hunter, one Nay was Dale Smith
7. Round Table:
 - a. Dan T. discussed NFPA 1 Chapter 11 Section 11.4.2 as it pertains to sprinklers. Scott mentioned based on the degree of changes the code suggests it will be a complex effort.
 - b. Wayne – Nothing
 - c. Dick – Nothing
 - d. Dale – Nothing
 - e. Scott - Nothing
 - f. – Dan M. - Nothing
 - g. Cliff – Nothing
8. A motion to adjourn was made at 9.02 pm by Scott Hunter, seconded by Dick Moody, all were in favor.