

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE
COMMISSIONERS**

of the

**LIME ROCK FIRE DISTRICT, INC. at
1085 Great Road, Lincoln RI 02865**

Held January 12, 2010

CALL OF THE MEETING:

**Mr. James V. Isherwood, Chairman, called the meeting to order at
6:07 p.m., January 12, 2010.**

**Present: Mr. James V. Isherwood, Mr. Ronald E. Rivet, Mr. Charles N.
Turner, Jr., Mr. John Shey, Jr., Mr. Mark Krieger, Chief Frank M.
Sylvester, Office Manager/Tax Collector Ms. Lesley A. Heaton,
Treasurer Ms. Christine E. Wood, Mr. Robert Theroux, and numerous
firefighters.**

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 8, 2009 MEETING:

**Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr. made a motion to accept the Minutes of the
December 8, 2009 meeting as written and presented. Mr. John Shey,
Jr. seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in
agreement.**

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 8, 2009 EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to seal the Minutes of the December 8, 2009 Executive Session. Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr. seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

Mr. Ronald E. Rivet made a motion to approve the Minutes of the December 8, 2009 Executive Session. Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr. seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Captain Russell Thibeault stated that as the Health & Safety Officer he felt it was unsafe to operate with just two firefighters on the trucks. He said the job could not be done with two. He asked to defer further questions and comments until later in the meeting.

Deputy Chief Todd Tucker also asked to defer questions and comments until later in the meeting.

Mr. Krieger told the Captain and Deputy Chief that Public Input was not available throughout the Meeting.

The Deputy Chief stated there had been rumors and he wanted to see if they were to be addressed during the Meeting. When asked, he responded that the rumors had to do with cutting back to two firefighters on a truck. Mr. Krieger stated that he had not heard that.

Chief Sylvester responded that the Chair had asked him to look into the savings that could be realized by using just two firefighters on a shift.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Mr. Ronald E. Rivet made a motion to accept the Chief's Report. Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr. seconded the motion.

Mr. Krieger asked if ice rescue training was only done in the winter. Deputy Chief Tucker responded that there had been training in the fall also.

There were questions about plowing out the stations. It was determined that the job was done by members of the Department as the Town did not do it.

Mr. Turner thanked the Association for placing the ad in the paper offering free inspections of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and Christmas lights.

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Mr. Turner questioned why Engine 35 used 84 gallons of fuel and only traveled 30 miles in 2009. Chief Sylvester replied that the speedometer/odometer has been broken for some time. Due to the process to repair it the cost would be well over \$1,000.

amount of \$ 2,578.80

Total: \$196,155.21

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to approve the Bills Submitted for Approval as presented in the amount of \$196,155.21. Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr. seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

OLD BUSINESS:

No Old Business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Twin River Payroll

Chief Sylvester advised the Board that Twin River had agreed to raise the detail rate by 25¢/hour as the increase that was due last July had been deferred due to the bankruptcy situation. Mr. Turner stated that since the District had not given raises he wanted to be sure the firefighters received the full 25¢. The Commissioners agreed no vote was needed.

2. Chief Sylvester asked to address the February schedule. With no objections, he stated that he was not comfortable running only two firefighters on a truck. He said Mr. Isherwood had asked him to show the taxpayers that an effort was being made to reduce costs by cutting back on manning. Chief Sylvester advised the Board that the cut-back was only possible due to the firefighters' dedication to the

Department.

CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence was presented.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr. made Mr. Isherwood's requested motion to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with Section 42-46-5 of the Exemptions of Chapter 46 of the General Laws pursuant to Section 42-46-5(a)(2) to discuss anticipated litigation. Mr. Ronald E. Rivet seconded the motion. With each Commissioner in agreement, the Board adjourned to Executive Session for the stated purpose at 6:40 p.m.

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ADJOURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Ronald E. Rivet made a motion to adjourn from Executive Session and Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr. seconded. The motion passed with each Commissioner in agreement at 6:54 p.m.

Mr. Ronald E. Rivet made a motion in open session to seal the Minutes of the Executive Session. Mr. Mark Krieger seconded the motion. The motion to seal the Executive Session minutes passed with each Commissioner in agreement.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. John Shey, Jr. made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr. seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine E. Wood

Recording Secretary

Ronald E. Rivet

Recording Secretary