

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

of the

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

Held February 8, 2011

CALL OF THE MEETING:

Mr. Ronald E. Rivet, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m., February 8, 2011.

Present: Mr. Ronald E. Rivet, Mr. Mark Krieger, Mr. Paul Harrison, Mr. James A. Fredrikson, Chief Frank M. Sylvester, Assistant Chief Arthur Jacques, Captain Jonathan Wright, Office Manager/Tax Collector Ms. Lesley A. Heaton, Treasurer Ms. Christine E. Wood, and FF Jason Dupont.

Absent: Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 11, 2011 MEETING:

Mr. James A. Fredrikson made a motion to accept the Minutes of the January 11, 2011 meeting. Mr. Paul Harrison seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

PUBLIC INPUT:

There was no Public Input.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to accept the Chief's Report as presented. Mr. James A. Fredrikson seconded the motion.

Chief Sylvester noted that the firefighters had been constantly shoveling out fire hydrants. Since the trucks had to be left running to prevent water in the tanks from freezing, fuel costs were up. He said they were still trying to locate hydrants that had been buried by snowplows.

Mr. Krieger commented on the availability of reports. The Chief advised him that the firefighters had been so busy with shoveling that some of them did have time to prepare their reports.

There were several technical questions regarding EMT licenses, fire alarm boxes, still alarms, and gas meters.

With no further questions, the Chief's Report was accepted with all Commissioners in agreement.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to accept the Tax Collector's Report

as presented. Mr. Paul Harrison seconded the motion.

Mr. Krieger initiated discussion about the potential ramifications to the District in regards to the assessment problem between Twin River and the Town of Lincoln. When asked what the loss to the District might be, Ms. Heaton said that according to her rough calculations, it could be as high as \$143,000. With the Board's approval, Mr. Krieger will speak to the Town Administrator to determine what direction the Town will take in appealing the State's Superior Court decision.

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Ms. Heaton presented the accounts potentially heading to tax sale. She asked the Board if she could contact the District's attorney for a recommendation for an attorney that could investigate a long running bankruptcy. The Board instructed her to determine how the Town was handling their outstanding taxes for the account in question.

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to approve the abatements as presented in the amount of \$7.76. Mr. Paul Harrison seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

With no further discussion, the Tax Collector's report was accepted with all Commissioners in agreement.

Interim Expenses:	dated 01/08/11-02/02/11 in
the amount of \$ 33,109.00	
Non-budgetary Interim Expenses:	dated 12/10/10-02/02/11 in
the amount of \$ 1,700.96	
Bills for Initial Approval	dated 02/04/11-02/04/11 in the
amount of \$ 4,564.94	
Total:	\$154,143.76

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to approve the Bills Submitted for Approval in the amount of \$154,143.76. Mr. James A. Fredrikson seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business to be discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motor Vehicle Late Fee

Ms. Heaton asked the Commissioners if the \$25 collection fee should be applied to motor vehicles bills that could be as small as \$5.00. She explained the process of researching addresses on returned bills before sending another bill. When the Board calculated the number of outstanding motor vehicle bills multiplied by \$25, they realized the fees could run into the thousands. Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to apply the \$25 late fee for any and all late payments as of February 1. Mr. Paul Harrison seconded the motion, which passed with all

Commissioners in agreement.

Since the Tax Collector has to apply the late fee manually, Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to have Ms. Heaton contact Opal Data to determine the cost of programming to automatically add the fee. Mr. James A. Fredrikson seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

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CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence was presented.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Mark Krieger made a 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 labor relations/collective bargaining. Mr. Paul Harrison seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, all Commissioners voiced their agreement to adjourn to Executive Session for the stated purpose at 6:25 p.m.

ADJOURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to adjourn from Executive Session. Mr. James A. Fredrikson seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, all Commissioners voiced their agreement to adjourn from Executive Session at 7:15 p.m.

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion in open session to seal the Minutes of the Executive Session. Mr. James A. Fredrikson seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, all Commissioners voiced their agreement to seal the Minutes of the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Paul Harrison made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Mark Krieger seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement. The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald E. Rivet Christine E. Wood Recording Secretaries

cc: R. Rivet, M. Krieger, C. Turner, P. Harrison, J. Fredrikson, file

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