

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

Of the

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

Held March 13, 2012

**Mr. Ronald Rivet called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m., Monday
March 13, 2012.**

**Present: Mr. Ronald Rivet, Mr. Paul Harrison, Mr. Mark Krieger, Mr.
James A. Fredrikson, Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr., Chief Frank M.
Sylvester, Ms. Lesley Heaton, Ms. Cheryl Cronan. .**

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 13, 2012 MEETING:

**Mr. James A. Fredrikson made a motion to accept the Minutes of the
February 13, 2012 meeting Mr. Paul Harrison, seconded the motion
which passed with all Commissioners in agreement**

PUBLIC INPUT:

No one signed up for Public Input.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to accept the Chief's Report. Mr. James A. Fredrikson, seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

Mr. James A. Fredrikson acknowledged that the department has a new on call firefighter starting. Chief Sylvester stated the new employee's qualifications met all the requirements and feels he will a good addition to the department.

Mr. Mark Krieger questioned the resignation of a long term on call firefighter. Chief Sylvester responded that the reason for the resignation was due to commitments from his full time position.

Mr. Mark Krieger inquired about a building fire. Chief Sylvester stated it was a garage fire at 275 Twin River Road. He also, added the men did a great job of extinguishing the blaze and not allowing it to reach the house. The State Fire Marshal was called in to determine the cause.

Mr. Paul Harrison inquired about the appeal of several code violations at Davies. Chief Sylvester answered that Davies is the responsibility of the State Fire Marshal's office. They have requested variances and

it will be going to the Board of Appeals and Review. Fire Marshal Stephen Tucker will represent Lime Rock Fire District.

Mr. Paul Harrison asked about the Northern RI Realtors Assoc. forum attended by Fire Marshal Stephen Tucker. Fire Marshal Tucker acknowledged that the forum held an open discussion on one, two and three family occupancies concerning fire codes.

Mr. Ronal Rivet stated he liked the new format on the Unit Response print outs, and asked for clarification on abbreviation FMRO. Fire Marshal Stephen Tucker stated it stands for fire, medical, rescue and other.

Mr. Ronal Rivet acknowledged that Chief Sylvester was doing a good job in keeping the budget on target. Chief Sylvester responded that he has been working closely with the treasurer to keep expenses down and remain within the budget.

Mr. Charles N. Turner Jr ., commented that he was happy that the hearing with the Commission of Human Rights has ended and that Lime Rock Fire District prevailed in this complaint.

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

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to defer the acceptance of the

firefighter resignation until clarification can be made to his savings plan vesting date. Mr. Charles N. Turner Jr., seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

Chief Sylvester requested that the firefighter reconsider his departure date.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr., made a motion to accept the Tax Collector's Report as presented. Mr. James A. Fredrikson seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

Mr. Mark Krieger asked the status of the tax sales. Ms. Heaton replied that the sale would tentatively take place on June 28, 2012.

Mr. Paul Harrison questioned a taxpayers request to appeal the late fees, which applied to 123 lots due to not remitting their tax payments by 1/31/2012.

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to change the order of the agenda to accommodate the reading of correspondence, which applies to the above taxpayers request for an appeal. Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr., seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

Mr. Mark Krieger informed Mr. Ronald Rivet, that he recused himself

from any further discussion on said appeal.

Mr. Paul Harrison made a motion to deny the request for an appeal on the late fees. Mr. James A. Fredrikson seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

Mr. Ronal Rivet inquired the procedure for applying payments to over due accounts. Ms. Heaton stated she applies payments to interest, late fees then taxes.

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to change the order of the agenda to return to the Chief's report in reference to the resigning firefighter. Mr. James A. Fredrikson 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

Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr., made a motion to approve an abatement in the amount of \$ 21.96. Mr. Mark Krieger, seconded the motion which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr., made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Mr. James A. Fredrikson seconded the motion,

which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

Mr. James A. Fredrikson inquired about the collection of the 2011 Annual Fire Alarm Box fees. Ms. Cronan responded there were several accounts that payment had not been received. Those delinquent accounts have recently been contacted.

The Treasurer's Report was then accepted with all Commissioners in agreement.

BILLS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL:

Payroll Expenses: dated 02/01/12–02/29/12 in the amount of \$109,113.91

Interim Expenses: dated 02/01/12–02/29/12 in the amount of \$ 44,463.81

Non-Budgetary Interim Expenses: dated 02/01/12–02/29/12 in the amount of \$ 4074.45

Bills for Initial Approval: dated 02/01/12–02/29/12 in the amount of \$ - 0 -

Total: \$ 157,652.17

Mr. Charles N. Turner Jr., made a motion to approve the Bills Submitted for Approval in the amount of \$157,652.17. Mr. James A.

Fredrikson seconded the motion, all Commissioners in agreement.

Mr. Charles N. Turner Jr., made a motion to approve the internal audit.

Mr. Mark Krieger seconded the motion, all Commissioners in agreement

Mr. Charles N. Turner Jr., made a motion to compensate the internal auditors for their service. Mr. Mark Krieger seconded the motion, all Commissioners in agreement

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to defer Access to Public records until next month. Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr., seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

Mr. Ronald Rivet questioned the procedure for the Annual Fire Box billing. Ms. Cronan replied that in the past the invoices were sent out for the previous year. However, with the economy being what it is we should bill in advance, as to not loose income on accounts that close prior to the billing cycle.

Mr. Charles N. Turner Jr., suggested that we bill for 2012 in April and have the invoices due in July.

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to defer the Washington Trust banking program. Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr., seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

Mr. Mark Krieger recommended that we continue to shop for the best banking rates.

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to renew the contract with Carlucci & Dugan CPA. Mr. Charles N. Turner, Jr., seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A thank you card was read from the Silveira Family for saving the kitten from the storm drain. Another letter was read from a student of the Lincoln High School requesting a donation for a school project.

Mr. Mark Krieger made a motion to defer the donation request. Mr. James A. Fredrikson seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement.

A letter from the Commission For Human Rights stating that there

was no probable cause in the charge of discrimination regarding a past employee was read.

A request for a donation from the Rhody 5K Road Race was received. Mr. Charles N. Turner Jr., made a motion not to participate in this year's event. Mr. Paul Harrison seconded the motion, all Commissioners in agreement

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. James A. Fredrikson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Paul Harrison seconded the motion, which passed with all Commissioners in agreement. The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald E. Rivet Cheryl A. Cronan Recording Secretaries

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