

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES FOR THE WEST GLOCESTER FIRE DISTRICT

Date: August 7,2004 Time: 10 am

West Gloucester Station #1

The annual meeting of the West Gloucester Fire District was called to order at 10 am by Moderator Judith LaButti. A quorum of 12 was present.

Board present:

William Flynn, Director;

Anna Maria Labutti, Clerk

Angela Taylor, Treasurer/Tax Collector

Lawrence Goodnough, Fire Chief;

Thomas Taylor, Jr., Assistant Chief;

Chris LaButti, Deputy Chief

Clerk's minutes of the previous annual meeting was presented. Judith LaButti moved to accept minutes. Gordon Bentley. seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Reports:

Treasurer's report of 06/30/04 was presented with a balance in the checking of \$23,569.06, a balance in the savings of \$313.65, and a balance in the money market account of \$68,922.48 (see attached Treasurer's Report). Auditors report for year ending 6/30/2003 was available. Eleanor Bentley moved to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Chris LaButti. Motion passed.

Tax collector's report of 06/30/04 was presented with a total of taxes collected from 07/01/03 to 06/30/04 in the amount of \$230,590 (see attached Tax Collector's Report). Gordon Bentley moved to accept as presented. Lawrence Goodnough seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Fire Chief's report was presented by Chief Lawrence Goodnough for the yearly department activities to date, including all fire and rescue responses and department training (see attached Fire Chief's Report). Talley Bailey moved to accept the Fire Chief's report. Tom Taylor seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Old Business:

None

New business:

Slate of officers was presented as follows:

Board of Director: William Reichert

Board of Director: (1 yr. Term) Robert Pettee

Moderator: Judith LaButti

Treasurer: Angela Taylor

Tax Collector: Angela Taylor

Clerk: Annamaria LaButti

Tax Assessors: Judy Booth

Bob Booth

Anna Maria LaButti

No opposing Slate was offered. Lawrence Goodnough moved to accept slate as presented. Seconded by Eleanor Bentley. The Clerk cast one vote to accept the proposed slate of officers for 2004-2005.

The annual budget proposal in the amount of 279,200 was presented by Bill Flynn. Line items in the proposed budget were reviewed by the taxpayers.

General discussion on the tax rate for 2004-2005. Treasurer explained the possibility of a tax rate increase, not to exceed \$.25 per

thousand, because of the increase in budget. Final tax rate will be set when town's assessments have been received. Chris Labutti moved to accept the annual budget as presented. Motion was seconded by Gordon Bentley. Motion passed to accept.

Motion made by Lawrence Goodnough to adjourn the annual meeting. Motion seconded by Gordon Bentley. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Annamaria LaButti

Clerk, West Gloucester Fire District