

# **ASHAWAY FIRE DISTRICT**

**October 21, 2014**

**The regular monthly meeting of the Ashaway Fire District was called to order by commission chairperson, John Donahue, at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, October 21, 2014. The meeting was held at the Ashaway Fire District.**

**Present: Commissioners John Donahue, Bob Greene, Mike Williams, Clerk Linda Holman, Treasurer Joyce Smith and Tax Collector George Mayhew.**

## **Reports**

**A motion was made by Mike Williams seconded by Bob Greene to dispense with the reading of the clerk's, treasurer's and tax collector's reports. All in favor. Motion passed.**

## **Bills**

**Mike Williams made a motion seconded by Bob Greene to pay the unpaid bills as of October 21st, 2014. All in favor. Motion passed.**

**Mike Williams made a motion seconded by Bob Greene to re-imburse Jeff Collins for fire prevention supplies. All in favor. Motion passed.**

## **Old Business**

**Bob Greene wanted to know on what basis does a fire fighter accomplish a good year for LOSAP. To qualify a fire fighter has to respond to 25% of the calls and attend 40 hours of training per year. Fire police have to respond to 25% of calls and 10 hours of training. Since the District holds the policy, the commissioners are responsible for LOSAP.**

**Chief's car - Chief Sposato has talked to Attorney Naccarato and will give him the information to get the bid in the paper. It will go into The Westerly Sun.**

**Bucket Truck - It is under the state bid. Mike Gardella can go ahead with it because it has already been approved by the taxpayers.**

**Brush Truck - It is bought and paid for. The Attorney has the check and Joyce has all the paperwork. It is insured to The District.**

**The chief's car, the bucket truck, the brush truck and the auditor will go on next month's agenda.**

**The old bucket truck can be advertised on Craig's list and does not have to go in the paper. It will be sold "as is". Mike Williams said that the Town of Richmond was interested. Mike Williams will check with**

**Mike Gardella and Rich Girton to see if the truck is still being used. The District has the authority to put it up for bid.**

**Mike Williams made a motion seconded by Bob Greene that as soon as he gets the ok that the truck is not being used, it can be posted. All in favor. Motion passed.**

**The clerk swore in Med Page as moderator.**

### **New Business**

**Attorney Naccarato told the Chief that the state is requiring that the District have a website under the open meeting laws for advertising. Rich Girton gave access to the Fire Department's website for The District.**

**Kathy Schmidt asked if the state was requiring special training for infectious disease because of the ebola outbreak. The Fire Department and the ambulance have that training every year. There is no new training required by the state.**

### **Correspondence**

**John had a letter from VFIS regarding the accident and sickness policy. The underwriters have noted that the losses are running relatively high compared to the premium. The losses paid out over**

**the past five years are approximately 194% of, or double, the premium paid in. The renewal in May 2015 will increase. A meeting can be set up if the commissioners would like to discuss the policy. The commissioners don't want to meet at this time.**

**The tax collector reported that Vision Government Solutions for the software program will go up next year from \$1300.00 to \$1900.00. He will check into the huge increase.**

### **Committee Reports**

**The charter revision committee will meet after the election.**

### **Public Comment**

**John said that the meetings are going good. He wants to keep them informal and not dragged out. People should have a chance to speak.**

**Mike Williams made a motion to adjourn at 6:30 P.M. All in favor.  
Motion passed.**

**Linda M. Holman**

**Clerk**