

**UNION FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF WARDENS  
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES  
131 ASA POND RD., PEACE DALE, R.I.  
MAY 9, 2005 7:00 PM**

Wardens: Present: Mr. Holland, Mr. Ciccone, Mr. Sprague  
Absent: Mr. Gray and Mr. Smith

Chiefs: Chief Perry, DC Carney, Pinch, and Collinson

Others: District Clerk

Mr. Holland called the meeting to order at 7:22 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Mr. Ciccone moves to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the April 18, 2005 meeting. Mr. Sprague seconds the motion. All in favor. Motion carries.

COMMUNICATIONS:

SHEMCA REQUEST TO USE STATION 5 FOR MEETINGS: SHEMCA would like to hold their dinner meetings at the Snug Harbor Station.

**MOTION 05-5-1:** Mr. Ciccone moves to allow the use of the station, with the stipulation that no alcoholic beverages be served. Mr. Sprague seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

MEMO FROM BRUCE RICE: Bruce will be out of state for six months of each year, but would like to continue to work for code enforcement during the time he is here. He suggests that his pay could be adjusted to half, for the time that he is away. Discussion. The Board would be happy to have Bruce work while he is here, and they will discuss the salary at a future date.

COMMITTEES & REPORTS:

No reports.

OLD BUSINESS:

CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH HOLLAND ELECTRIC: This will be moved to the monthly meeting agenda.

ELECTRICAL OUTLET AT STATION 2 FOR REFRIGERATOR: The Clerk called PAV for a price to install the outlet, and was given a maximum cost of \$350.00. She is directed to go ahead with the project.

NEW BUSINESS:

ELECT CHAIRMAN:

**MOTION 05-5-2:** Mr. Ciccone nominates Peter Holland as chairman. Mr. Sprague seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

**OPEN BIDS FOR ENGINE 20:** Two bids were submitted; Fire Tech & Safety bid \$69,750.00, and New England Fire Equipment bid \$67,948.00. The bids will be turned over to the truck committee for review and recommendations.

**STATION PRESIDENTS AND TREASURERS AT JUNE MEETING:** Mr. Holland explains that there will be a mandatory meeting of all station captains, treasurers, and presidents on June 20. The treasurers are to bring the current copy of their check statements. The LOSAP program will be finalized (how checks will be distributed), and there will be a standardized form throughout the District for new applicants. It is essential that the three officers from each station attend. If they cannot attend, an authorized member must attend to answer questions.

**FISH & WILDLIFE GRANT:** Chief Perry reports that we have received a grant from the Department of Fish & Wildlife, for purchasing forestry equipment.

**FIRE POLICE:** Chief Perry reports that he and Chief Carney have met with the fire police. There are thirteen members at present. David Gates said they could be added to the UFD insurance policy. Mr. Holland would like to discuss that with Mr. Gates before any changes are made. Chief Perry explains that all fire police members will attend a class on June 7 for the constable program. He feels that they are headed in the right direction.

CHIEF'S/DEPUTIES' REPORTS:

**SPECIAL HAZARDS 2 IS IN:** Chief Perry reports that Special Hazards 2 is here, and is lettered and ready to go as soon as the registration is completed.

**ENGINE 22 BACK IN SERVICE:** Chief Perry reports that engine 22 repairs are completed, and it is back in service.

FIRE PREVENTION:

No report.

TRAINING GROUND REPORT:

Captain Hiener reports that there will be a propane drill with Amerigas this weekend. Anyone interested in attending is welcome.

STATION REQUESTS:

Mr. Holland would like the Board's approval to send a letter to each station, explaining what building repairs are planned in the new budget, and in upcoming budgets.

Mr. Holland asks for a motion to add to the agenda the deputy chief position.

**MOTION 05-5-3:** Mr. Ciccone moves to add the deputy chief position to the agenda. Mr. Sprague seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

Mr. Holland explains that six applications for the deputy chief position have been received. The Chief and Deputies will be doing interviews on Wednesday, May 25. Discussion about dates. A memo will be sent to each candidate, indicating the date and appointment time. The Chiefs will make their recommendations to the Board following the interviews.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS/FIREFIGHTERS:

Chief Perry has made up a form for BCI checks for new applicants. This will be put on the agenda for next week, after the Wardens and Ms. Hogan have had an opportunity to review it. Discussion about the form.

Captain Boettger explains that the members at Station 8 would like to have a retirement party for DC Prefontaine, and asks if the Board has any input for the party. He is advised to keep the Board informed of any plans.

Mr. Sprague moves to adjourn. Mr. Ciccone seconds. Meeting adjourned 7:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bette Marco  
District Clerk

Date Amended \_\_\_\_\_

Date Accepted \_\_\_\_\_

I, Bette Marco, District Clerk, do certify that the attached minutes are a true and accurate copy of the May 9, 2005 Meeting of the Board of Wardens of the Union Fire District and that they have not been amended except as cited above.

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Bette Marco, District Clerk

