

**UNION FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF WARDENS  
MEETING MINUTES  
131 ASA POND RD., PEACE DALE, R.I.  
MAY 18, 2009 7:00 PM**

Wardens: Present: Mr. Ciccone, Mr. Steere, Mr. McClarnon, Mr. Boisvert,  
and Mr. White

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

Others: District Clerk and Mr. DeSista

Mr. Ciccone called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Mr. Steere moves to dispense with the reading of, and approve the minutes of the May 11, 2009 meeting. Mr. Boisvert seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

COMMITTEES & REPORTS:

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT: DC Quinn reminds everyone that the meeting is scheduled for tomorrow night at 6:00 PM. The subcommittee will be meeting on Tuesday, June 2, 2009 at 7:00PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

AWARD INSURANCE BID: Two bids were received, from Gates Insurance and Gencorp Insurance. Mr. Dick Pike from Gencorp explained the bid from his company, and made suggestions regarding our coverage.

**MOTION 09-5-1:** Mr. Ciccone moves to award the bid to Gates Insurance as the low bidder. Mr. Boisvert seconds. Mr. White explains that he is familiar with Mr. Pike from Rotary meetings, but doesn't feel that will affect his objectivity. Mr. Ciccone, Mr. Boisvert, Mr. Steere and Mr. McClarnon vote aye. Mr. White abstains. Motion carries.

APPROVE CONFINED SPACE SOG:

**MOTION 09-5-2:** Mr. Boisvert moves to approve the SOG as presented. Mr. Steere seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

CHANGE JUNE, JULY, AUGUST MEETINGS TO ONE PER MONTH:

**MOTION 09-5-3:** Mr. McClarnon moves to change the meeting schedule to one meeting on the third Monday of the month for June, July, and August. Mr. Boisvert seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

APPROVE REPAIRS TO THE BURN BUILDING: A quote was received from Nelson Brothers for \$9,600.00 for installing the tiles in the burn building. Chief Perry thinks the materials will cost about \$10,000.00. He states that Kingston Fire District will donate \$5,000.00 toward the cost of materials. Discussion.

**MOTION 09-5-4:** Mr. McClarnon moves to purchase the materials to repair the burn building now, and store them at the training ground until the work can be completed. Mr. Steere seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

**DISCUSS/APPROVE AUDITOR'S REPORT:**

**MOTION 09-5-5:** Mr. Steere moves to accept the report as presented. Mr. McClarnon seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

**LEGAL MATTERS:**

AUTHORIZE LEGAL COUNSEL TO PROCEED WITH COLLECTIONS OF: RICHARD AND LINDA DOWNES, EDWARD AND MARGARET JOYCE, ELINOR MACDONALD KELLY, AND DANIEL AND MARGARET SHEA:

**MOTION 09-5-6:** Mr. McClarnon moves to authorize legal counsel to proceed with collections of the foregoing accounts. Mr. Steere seconds. Discussion regarding why legal counsel is collecting these accounts. The Clerk is directed to get an explanation for the Board. All in favor. Motion carries.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Mr. DeSista has a report to hand out to the Board. He also reports that the District credit card was charged for items that were not ours. The credit card company called to advise him of the fraudulent charges, and to cancel the card. Discussion. The Board directs him to obtain a replacement card.

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:**

**MOTION 09-5-7:** Mr. McClarnon moves to accept the report as presented. Mr. Steere seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS/FIREFIGHTERS:**

Mr. Ciccone asked DC Quinn to give an update on the grant committee's actions. He explains that they have submitted for funds for exhaust removal for five bays, and for vehicle acquisition funds to replace engine 17.

**WARDENS AND CHIEFS MEETING:** The Wardens and Chiefs discussed repairs to the burn building, thermal imaging camera purchases, servicing of the trucks, budget reports, improving situation at station 2, and use of Kingston's ladder truck.

Mr. Steere moves to adjourn. Mr. Boisvert seconds. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 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 18, 2009 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