

**UNION FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF WARDENS  
MEETING MINUTES  
131 ASA POND RD., PEACE DALE, R.I.  
MARCH 1, 2010 7:00 PM**

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

Chiefs: Chief Perry, DC Pinch and Collinson

Others: District Clerk and Ms. Hogan

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 February 16, 2010 meeting. Mr. McClarnon seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

COMMITTEES & REPORTS:

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT: DC Pinch reports that CRMC has received our wetlands application. Also, he received an e-mail from Dennis Ross and he would like to schedule a committee meeting for next Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

STATE FIREMEN'S LEAGUE DELEGATES/ALTERNATES: Mr. Ciccone suggests the Board reappoint Tony Cinquegrana and Kevin Quinn as delegate and alternate to the State Firemen's League. The Board concurs.

DISCUSS REQUIREMENT OF PREVAILING WAGES IN CONTRACTS: Ms. Hogan has forwarded to the Wardens copies of the Division of Professional Regulations rules and FAQ's regarding prevailing wages, as well as a memo of recommendations in relation to how the rules apply to the UFD. She discusses how prevailing wage information must be included in bid specs, the difference between repairs and maintenance as explained in the law, and the stiff penalties for being in violation of this law. She suggests that the Board can submit a request for judgment to the Department of Labor and Training, but the exemptions requested must be clear and fully documented. Mr. White will work with Chief Perry and Dan Nolan to draw up specs and any other information about this project, and present it to the Board at the next meeting.

**MOTION 10-3-1:** Mr. Steere moves to add to the agenda for discussion information regarding the burn building repairs. Mr. Boisvert seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

Dan Nolan has received a quote from High Temperature Linings, who supplied the tiles for the burn building, to replace the tiles for \$9200.00. Discussion regarding work to be done on the building. The subcommittee will report back to the Board at the next meeting, at which time a decision will be made how to move forward with this project.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS/FIREFIGHTERS:

Chief Perry thanks the Wardens for attending the awards ceremony last week.

DC Pinch reports that the LOSAP figures have been submitted, and 90 firefighters qualified this period.

**MOTION 10-3-2:** Mr. McClarnon moves to add the proposed retirement program to the agenda for discussion. Mr. Boisvert seconds. All in favor. Motion carries. Mr. White asks what the status is regarding the LOSAP retirement benefits that were discussed last year. DC Pinch explains that DC Quinn has been researching this, and can have some information for the Board at the next meeting. Ms. Hogan expresses her concern that the description of this benefit as a retirement plan suggests an employment relationship between the firefighters and the District.

Mr. Ciccone notes that we received a letter of thanks from the Lake Mishnock Fire Department for the radios we donated to them.

**MOTION 10-3-3:** Mr. Steere moves to convene in executive session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2), regarding possible litigation in relation to underground water storage tanks, and RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1), regarding job performance. The affected person has been notified. Mr. McClarnon seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

One vote was taken in executive session, to seal the minutes of said session.

Mr. Steere moves to adjourn. Mr. Boisvert seconds. All in favor. Meeting adjourned .

Respectfully submitted,

Bette Marco  
District Clerk

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

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

I, Bette Marco, District Clerk, do certify that the attached minutes are a true and accurate copy of the March 1, 2010 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