

**UNION FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF WARDENS  
MEETING MINUTES  
131 ASA POND RD., PEACE DALE, R.I.  
JULY 19, 2010 7:00 PM**

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

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

Others: District Clerk, Ms. Hogan, and Mr. DeSista

Mr. Steere called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

American Heart Association representative Michelle Carn presented Chief Perry with the Start Fit Friendly Award in recognition of the District's overall wellness culture.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Mr. McClarnon moves to dispense with the reading of, and approve the minutes of the June 21, 2010 meeting. Mr. White seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

COMMITTEES & REPORTS:

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT: DC Pinch reports that the committee met to discuss the rules and regulations for the new station 6 and will have another meeting August 10<sup>th</sup> to further discuss them. They also met with the Town of South Kingstown to discuss proposed changes to stations, and it was suggested that they meet with the Council on September 28<sup>th</sup>. The committee will meet with the firefighters on August 18<sup>th</sup> to go over the project. After the meeting with the Town at the end of September, we should be ready for public meetings in October.

NEW BUSINESS:

AWARD DUMP TRAILER BID: Dan Nolan received only one response to the bid, from Pat's Power Equipment for \$6000.00.

**MOTION 10-7-1:** Mr. McClarnon moves to award the bid to Pat's Power Equipment for a total of \$6000.00. Mr. Ciccone seconds. All in favor. Motion carries. Dan would like to use some of the remaining funds to purchase equipment for the trailer. Discussion.

AWARD STATION 2 ROOF BID: Dan Nolan received one written bid for \$11320.00 from Roofing Concepts, and one verbal response from Mike Hull Roofing for \$4900.00. No other bids were received. The budget for this project is \$3000.00. Discussion.

**MOTION 10-7-2:** Mr. McClarnon moves to reject these bids, notify the bidders, go out to bid again and advertise in the local newspaper, and ask Roofing

Concepts if they would like this bid to be considered in the new bid process. Mr. Ciccone seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

FLU CLINIC: South County Hospital wants to schedule a flu clinic for the District for October 6, 2010. The Board approves.

DISCUSS MAINTENANCE ISSUE AGENDA: Mr. Ciccone states that he and Mr. Boisvert met with Ms. Hogan and Chief Perry to determine agenda issues to be discussed with the mechanic. Ms. Hogan explains which topics are appropriate for public agenda and which should be discussed by the administrative Wardens in private. Discussion.

**MOTION 10-7-3:** Mr. McClarnon moves to charge the administrative Wardens with the duty to discuss with the mechanic the issues that the Chiefs have brought forward, for a resolution to the problems. Mr. Steere seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

VAN RENTAL FOR NFA WEEKEND: DC Quinn explains that the \$954.00 that was approved at the last meeting for van rental will not be adequate. We need to increase the amount to \$1370.00.

**MOTION 10-7-4:** Mr. McClarnon moves to approve the additional funds to increase the rental to \$1370.00. Mr. Boisvert seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

DISCUSS MINIMUM TAX BILL-TREASURER: Mr. DeSista asks if the board wants to increase the minimum tax from \$3.00 to \$5.00. Discussion.

**MOTION 10-7-5:** Mr. Boisvert moves to keep the minimum tax at \$3.00. Mr. McClarnon seconds. All in favor. Motion carries. Ms. Hogan mentions the statute regarding the vehicle excise tax, and explains that a policy change will be needed if the Board decides to reinstate it.

DISCUSS FEMA REIMBURSEMENT CHECK - C2: FEMA has sent a check for \$35,860.75 to reimburse the District for expenses incurred during the flood. Chief Perry wants permission to use the funds to buy equipment.

**MOTION 10-7-6:** Mr. McClarnon moves to approve the Chief's request to go out to bid for new equipment. Mr. Boisvert seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

PURCHASE PORTABLE RADIOS – C3: DC Carney wants to purchase three more portable radios.

**MOTION 10-7-7:** Mr. McClarnon moves to approve the purchase of three radios at \$659.00 each. Mr. Boisvert seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

DISCUSS NEW SOG FOR RESIDENTIAL INSPECTIONS: Chris Hiener has presented a new SOG for residential smoke alarm inspections.

**MOTION 10-7-8:** Mr. Boisvert moves to approve the new SOG. Mr. McClarnon seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. DeSista has copies of his report for the Board.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT/ ABATEMENTS:

**MOTION 10-7-9:** Mr. White moves to accept the report as presented. Mr. Ciccone seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

**MOTION 10-7-10:** Mr. Ciccone moves to add an item to the agenda for discussion. Mr. McClarnon seconds. All in favor. Motion carries. Mr. Ciccone points out that a trailer is parked in the lot at Wakefield station. Discussion. Mr. McClarnon will check into it, and we will look into having a sign put up.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS/FIREFIIGHTERS:

Chief Perry reports that the family field day was held yesterday, and about 110 people attended. It was a good time, and he thanks the Board for the opportunity to have it.

Mr. McClarnon moves to adjourn. Mr. White seconds. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 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 July 19, 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

