

**UNION FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF WARDENS
MEETING MINUTES
131 ASA POND ROAD, WAKEFIELD, R.I.
NOVEMBER 7, 2011 7:00 PM**

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

Chiefs: Deputy Chiefs Carney, Pinch and Collinson

Others: District Clerk

Mr. Ciccone called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Motion 11-11-1: Mr. McClarnon moves to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 17, 2011. Mr. Boisvert seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

COMMITTEES & REPORTS:

Deputy Chief Pinch reports for the Building Committee that Committee members attended the Conservation Board meeting last Wednesday and obtained approval for Tuckertown Station. Deputy Chief Pinch further reports that there is a Planning Board meeting tomorrow night at the Town Hall regarding the site plan review for planned improvements at the Tuckertown Fire Station. Deputy Chief Pinch further advised that the final survey plan was forwarded to Ms. Hogan, legal counsel, and who is to file the final survey plan with the Town of South Kingstown. Discussion then ensued regarding the next building committee meeting and which was then scheduled for November 21, 2011 at 6PM at the District Administration building.

NEW BUSINESS:

AWARD FIRE EXTINGUISHER EQUIPMENT PURCHASE: Motion 11-11-2: Mr. Boisvert moves to award the purchase of fire extinguisher equipment to Fire Tech & Safety of New England, Inc. for the sum of \$680.75. The motion was seconded by Mr. McClarnon. All in favor; motion carries.

AWARD PORTABLE RADIO BATTERY BID: Motion 11-11-3: Mr. Boisvert moves to award the portable radio battery bid (for the purchase of sixty portable radio batteries) to Utility Communications for the sum of \$3,564.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. McClarnon. All in favor; motion carries.

AWARD HELMET EQUIPMENT BID: **Motion 11-11-4:** Mr. Boisvert moves to helmet bid award (total of twenty helmets) to the low bidder C&S Specialty for the sum of \$3,577.50. The motion was seconded by Mr. McClarnon. All in favor; motion carries.

AWARD TRAINING GROUND FLOOD LIGHT ASSEMBLY PURCHASE: Mr. Nolan discussed obtaining three prices for additional lighting in the training ground and that the quoted price from Crown Supply involved the same type of light assembly that is already installed at the training grounds. **Motion 11-11-5:** Mr. McClarnon moves to award training ground light assembly purchase to Crown Supply for the sum of \$1,349.46. The motion was seconded by Mr. Boisvert. All in favor; motion carries.

DISCUSS ABERDEEN BUILDING WINDOW PURCHASE AND BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS: Mr. Nolan discussed the outstanding work conducted by the Veteran Firemen's Association in the recent clean up at the Aberdeen building. Mr. Nolan advised that he noticed that one window at the building is in need of replacement and would like to replace the window as well as budget funds next year for additional building improvements. Firefighter Timothy Redmond then discussed the recent clean up at the Aberdeen building and which included District funds approved up to \$750 for dumpster fees and painting supplies. A discussion ensued and Firefighter Redmond advised that additional lighting was needed inside the Aberdeen building and recommended using the remaining Aberdeen improvement funds for lighting rather than painting supplies and which was approved. **Motion 11-11-6:** Mr. Boisvert moves to approve purchase of an Andersen window for the sum of \$377.66 for the Aberdeen building. The motion was seconded by Mr. McClarnon. All in favor; motion carries

RHODE ISLAND SENATE GRANT: Deputy Chief Collinson then advised for the past two years he has managed grant award from Senator Sosnowski of the Rhode Island Senate and would like to continue handling the any future Senate grant awards. Deputy Chief Collinson advised that he has a remaining balance in the past senate grant award of \$540 and would like to purchase two flag poles for the training grounds along with starting to get pictures of fire trucks to hang in the Administration Building and which was authorized.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS/FIREFIGHTERS: Deputy Chief Pinch that he was contacted by the Wakefield Fire Station and who is in the process of planning a breakfast fundraiser during the month of December. Deputy Pinch further advised that the plan is to provide free breakfast for any person(s) who brings canned goods to the breakfast fundraiser and which would then be donated to needy food charities. Deputy Chief Pinch advised that the present fundraiser plans include advertising in local papers, inviting local television stations, having a Santa Claus at the event as well as having a drop box at the Administration building for any persons who were not able to attend the breakfast

fundraiser but would like to donate canned goods for the fundraiser. The breakfast fundraiser was then approved.

Deputy Chief Carney reports that the recent international training session with the volunteer firefighters from Greece was a tremendous success. Deputy Chief Carney advised that the Greek firefighters were very grateful for the training experience and which was invigorating for all involved. Deputy Chief Carney advised that the Greek firefighters indicated that they would be interested in continuing the training with the Union Fire District in the future.

Motion 11-11-7: Mr. McClarnon moves to adjourn the meeting at 7:20PM and which was seconded by Mr. Boisvert. All in favor; motion passes.

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Blessing
District Clerk

Date Amended _____
Date Accepted _____

I, John P. Blessing, District Clerk, do certify that the attached minutes are a true and accurate copy of the November 7, 2011 Meeting of the Board of Wardens of the Union Fire District of South Kingstown and that they have not been amended except as cited above.

John P. Blessing
District Clerk