

**UNION FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF WARDENS
MEETING MINUTES
131 ASA POND ROAD, WAKEFIELD, R.I.
OCTOBER 15, 2012
7:00 PM**

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

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

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Motion 12-10-1: Mr. Ciccone moves to approve to dispense with the reading of, and approve the minutes of the meeting held on September 17, 2012. Mr. Sloan seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carries.

COMMITTEES & REPORTS:

Deputy Chief Pinch reported that the Building Committee met tonight to discuss the Tuckertown Fire Station building project. Deputy Chief Pinch reported that the steel frame for the new apparatus bay has been completed, the cement floor is expected to be poured this week and progress is being made on the building project.

OLD BUSINESS:

DISCUSS COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT FOR EOC: Chief Perry then discussed going out to bid on the communications equipment for the EOC (emergency operations center) and the District only received one bid back and which was from Cyber Communications for the sum of \$9,283.20. Discussion ensued regarding the communications equipment for the EOC and which is to be utilized as a secondary or back up dispatch center at the District offices during emergencies. Discussion continued regarding budget funding for the purchase of the communications equipment and Chief Perry advised that funding was available in the loose equipment and or communications budgets. **Motion 12-10-2:** Mr. Ciccone moves to award the purchase of communications equipment to Cyber Communications for the sum of \$9,283.20 and which expenditure is to come from the loose equipment budget. The motion was seconded by Mr. McClarnon. All in favor; motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

AWARD PURCHASE OF SONICWALL LICENSE UPDATES: **Motion 12-10-3:** Mr. McClarnon moves to award purchase of SonicWALL license updates to Dell for the total sum of \$4,502.93. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ciccone. All in favor; motion carries.

DISCUSS FIRE HORN AT STATION 2: Chief Perry then discussed concerns communicated by a Woodruff Avenue resident to Mr. Nota, Director of Administrative Services for the Town of South Kingstown, regarding the reactivation of the fire horn at the Wakefield Fire Station. Chief Perry further discussed that the resident mentioned in an e-mail that it was his (Woodruff Avenue resident) intention to attend the Wakefield Fire Station's fundraiser and voice his disappointment over the fire horn to all present. Chief Perry then advised that he called the resident to discuss his concerns regarding the fire horn and requested to meet to discuss the matter as well as asked that the resident not disrupt the fundraising event at Wakefield Fire Station. Chief Perry then advised that he left a voice mail message and that the resident never called him back but subsequently learned that the resident contacted Mr. Nota. Chief Perry further advised that he was in the process of drafting a response to Mr. Nota regarding several questions surrounding the reactivation of fire horn located at the Wakefield Fire Station. Discussion ensued regarding the response to the draft response regarding questions involving the horn reactivation. It was further discussed that the Union Fire District remains in support of the horn emergency notification system and which includes the horn located at the Wakefield Fire Station.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. DeSista has copies of the report for the Wardens.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT/ABATEMENTS: **Motion 12-10-4:** Mr. Ciccone moves to approve the Tax Collector's report as presented and which was seconded by Mr. Boisvert. All in favor; motion carries.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS/FIREFIGHTERS:

Chief Perry then discussed the recent South Kingstown Firefighters Memorial Ceremony and Parade which was held on Sunday, September 23, 2012. Chief Perry then thanked everyone who attended and or support the event.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion 12-10-5: Mr. Ciccone moves to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:20 PM and which was seconded by Mr. McClarnon. 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 October 15, 2012 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