

PASCOAG FIRE DISTRICT

TUESDAY JULY 14, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

Held at 141 Howard Ave, Pascoag, RI 02859

Present: Chairman David Carpenter, Secretary Carrie Meinville, Commissioners Brian Mathieu and David Shaw.

Guests; Attorney Jeff Kastle

1. The meeting opened at 7:00 pm with the pledge of Allegiance.

2. Public comment:

a. Matthew Dupuis read a letter from Hose Co #1 & #2 stating that during a recent joint meeting they voted unanimously in favor of appointing Harold Carter as Chief of Pascoag Fire Department and request that his position be changed from Acting Chief to Chief.

b. Matthew Dupuis read a letter from Ryan Peck President of the Explorer Program stating that Chief Harold Carter has helped the program get up and running, treats the explorers with fairness and respect, and has even helped out at fund raisers. The Explorer Post would greatly welcome acting Chief Harold Carter as Chief.

c. Safety Officer Richard Jenks stated that he would also like to see Harold Carter appointed to Chief, because he has done a great job.

d. Chief Robert Bishop from Wallum Lake Fire Department stated that Harold Carter has done a great job as acting Chief and should be

appointed to Chief he has brought the station from having little membership to well over 60 members.

Chairman Carpenter stated that the Board will take the comments under advisement.

3. A motion was made by Secretary Meinville to approve the meeting minutes of the June 9, 2015 meeting. A 2nd was heard from Commissioner Shaw. All members were in favor of the motion.

4. A motion was made from Commissioner Shaw to receive the Fire Chief's report. A 2nd was heard from Secretary Meinville. All members were in favor of the motion.

5. A motion was made from Commissioner Shaw to pay the bills as follows:

Administrative bills \$28,463.85

Fire & Rescue \$ 3,468.25

A 2nd was heard from Secretary Meinville. All members were in favor of the motion.

6. A motion from Commissioner Shaw was made to accept the financial statements as presented. He also stated that he was concerned that we are under budget for Rescue income and stated that we will need to be careful on spending so that we do not over spend the budget. A 2nd was heard from Secretary Meinville. All members were in favor of the motion.

7. A motion was made to review and approve the proposed 2016 budget at our August meeting by Commissioner Shaw. A 2nd was heard from Commissioner Mathieu. All members were in favor of the motion.

8. Sub-Committee reports:

a. Received a letter from Lt. Smith regarding a new program for the community. Secretary Meinville made a motion to table the discussion on the new community program until next month she would like to see the protocols from the state. A 2nd was heard from Commissioner Mathieu. All members were in favor of the motion.

b. Chairman Carpenter asked if the employment subcommittee has met regarding

a staffing program with Oakland Mapleville Fire Department on weekends. Chief Carter

stated that he has been meeting with the Chief of Oakland Mapleville and he is waiting for their board's decision.

9. No executive session was held.

10. Correspondence – Received a thank you letter from the Pascoag Public Library for our donation.

11. A motion was made from Commissioner Shaw to adjourn. A 2nd was heard from Secretary Meinville.

Respectfully submitted

Laurie McCutcheon Carrie Meinville
Treasurer Commission Secretary