

North Cumberland Fire District

50 Arnold Mills Road

Cumberland, RI

Board of Trustees

Minutes of November 20, 2013 Meeting

**Present: Phillip Koutsogiane, Chairman Others: Robert Murray,
Treasurer**

Michael Spaziani, Vice Chairman Deputy Chief Fred Mitchell

Brian Campbell Ghislaine Therien, Clerk

Harry MacDonald Martin Klara, Tax Collector Paul

Lindquist Excused: Charles Wilk

John Patrick McCoy

Chief Brian Jackvony

CALL TO ORDER

**Chairman called to order the regular meeting of the North
Cumberland Fire District (NCFD) at 7:05pm.**

SWEARING IN OF NEW FIREFIGHTERS

**Chairman swore in new firefighters Jonathan Barber and Greg
Brierley.**

MISCELLANEOUS

Clerk will be absent December and January due to surgery.

CLERK'S REPORT

Motion made by and seconded to accept the October 16, 2013 Minutes as presented. Motion carried by all present.

CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing to report.

TREASURER'S REPORT - October 2013

Mr. Murray submitted his report and highlighted the following:

NCFD Payroll and Overtime

- **October standard payroll was \$61,727.48; Overtime was \$35,179.09.**

Total payroll \$96,906.57

- **Total payroll \$350,150.62 through October**
- **Total expenses \$701,681.00 through October**
- **Percentage of overtime to total expenses 17.65%**

Income/Revenue:

- **\$942,946.28 taxes collected in October 2013.**
- **Interest income \$242.43 October 2013**
- **Various Fees \$3,852.00 October 2013**

October 2013 Expenses:

- **Total expenses for month \$163,135.38**
- **BC/BS \$115,204.28/Pension \$7,950.16**

- **Expenses in excess of revenue \$783,905.33**
- **Principal payments on PUC (\$15,726.94)**

October 2013 Certain Account Balances

- **Total Savings/Cash \$1,458,970.40**
- **Total Other Current Assets \$690,431.44**
- **RI State Pension \$4,938.00**
- **Lease Obligation Pierce PUC \$230,725.74 (reduction due to principal payments)**
- **Total Current Liabilities \$9,624.81**
- **Total Equity \$12,600,992.05**
- **Total Liabilities & Equity \$3,3,565,144.84**

Motion made by Mr. Spaziani and seconded by Mr. MacDonald to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried by all present.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – October 2013

- **Taxes collected in October \$943,380.47**
- **\$445.00 for fees paid**
- **Needs Microsoft Office installed for new computer.**
- **Nothing out of the ordinary for October.**
- **Still receiving telephone calls regarding payments**
- **Cannot continue tax sale till app payments and checks have been recorded**

Motion made by Mr. Lindquist and seconded by Mr. Campbell to accept the Tax Collector's report as presented. Motion carried by all present.

CHIEF'S REPORT/MONTHLY EXPENDITURES - OCTOBER 2013

October report presented by Deputy Chief. Chief Jackvony away at a training.

The North Cumberland Fire Department responded to 114 incidents in the month of

October 2013, this represents 2 fewer responses for the same month in 2012. The following Fire Prevention activities were completed: 12 code compliance inspections; 10 resale inspections; 1 rough inspection; 3 plan reviews; and 5 fire drills at North Cumberland Middle School.

PERSONNEL RESPONDED TO:

 3 motor vehicle accidents

 2 gas odor

 1 chimney fire

 1 grill fire/1 oven fire/1 stove fire/1 structure fire/2 brush fire

 1 pedestrian struck

 1 mutual aid to Woonsocket

PERSONNEL:

 Haunted Hill details completed

 Annual hose test completed

 RI Fire Academy Training completed

 Level One class ongoing - Submitted grant for Level Two class

BUILDING AND GROUNDS:

 Truck 5 bay door still not operating properly – contacted JGS

EQUIPMENT / APPARATUS

 Quote received for light replacement for Truck 5

 Purchased new ice rescue suit

 Brush 51 state inspection completed/fire pump being repaired

 Engine 5 state inspection completed

Motion made by Mr. Lindquist and seconded by Mr. Spaziani to accept the Fire Chief’s report as presented. Motion carried by all present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Financial Management, Budget, Taxes

 Mr. Murray informed the Board that someone will be coming in to conduct a State Pension Audit

Apparatus/Buildings/Grounds

Nothing to report.

Personnel/Labor Relations

- **Lt. Emerson will conduct training program for the new firefighters.**
- **Lt. interviews were done – Brian Bernardo is the new Lieutenant.**
- **Two new firefighters will be on probationary period.**

Negotiations

Nothing to report.

Consolidation/Sharing Services

Discussed under Old Business

OLD BUSINESS

Consolidation/Merger Update With Requirements:

- **Committee meeting to look at buildings and assets for each district.**
- **Financial numbers on buildings/trucks/assets will be available for review.**
- **Principal on NCFD fire truck \$230,725.74.**
- **Cumberland Hill has lifetime healthcare for some its firefighters**
- **Valley Falls has no liabilities.**

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. MacDonald and seconded by Mr. Campbell to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by all present. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ghislaine D. Therien

Ghislaine D. Therien, Clerk