

Chepachet Fire District

Executive Committee – Monthly Meeting

December 14, 2011

The Chepachet Fire District monthly meeting was held at the Chepachet Fire Station on Wednesday, December 14, 2011.

Chairman Mr. Earl Newman called the meeting to order at 6:31pm. Members present were Robert Lohr, George Leonhardt, Jamie Hainsworth and Lynda Martone. Also present were Tax Collector Patricia Svansson, Treasurer David Steere, District Clerk/Secretary Darlene Shields, Chief Robert Dauphinais and Deputy Chief Dennis Huestis.

Secretary's Report:

All members have received copies of the minutes for November 16, 2011 for their review.

Motion made by Mrs. Martone to accept the minutes for November 16th, 2011 as presented, second by Mr. Lohr and passed 5–0.

Tax Collector's Report:

Mrs. Svansson stated all tax bills are out and money has started coming and she's working on the mail. Mrs. Svansson has heard from Mr. Craven's office regarding the past tax sale properties that

were never sold. He apologized for his delay in not getting back to her. His suggestion is that we can foreclose on the tax liens but that requires a superior courts proceeding which cost money or the alternative is we can contact a real estate agent as to which of the properties would be valuable to adjoining properties owners and have them market the property a subject to the foreclosure proceedings plus the associated expenses. Mr. Lohr questioned would we then be taking ownership of the property? Mr. Hainsworth advised that the property is not bid on at tax sale usually is because it's not worth much.

Most of the properties are small pieces of land that would only benefit the abutting owners.

Mrs. Svansson will go through what she has for properties to be discussed further at next month's meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Lohr to accept the Tax Collector's Report, second by Mr. Leonhardt and passed 5-0.

Treasurer Report:

Mr. Steere presented the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2011. Expenses are inline. Major expenses this month was Incentive Pay.

Third Party received for the last month was \$15,470 with another 6 months to go. Overall funds \$491,000 of which \$395,000 is dedicated

which

leaves an operating fund of \$95,00 and tax revenues are now coming in.

Motion made by Mr. Hainsworth to accept the Treasurer's Reports as presented and pay the monthly bills, Second by Mrs. Martone and passed 5-0.

Chief's Report:

Chief Dauphinais read and submitted the November 2011 Monthly Chief's Reports to be placed on file.

Motion made by Mr. Leonhardt to accept the Chief's Monthly Reports for November 2011 and place the copies on file, second by Mrs. Martone and passed 5-0.

Committee:

Fire Truck Committee:

The committee is all set go. They submitted the specs for the Board review last month and just need the Board to make a motion to send out to Bid. Mr. Steere asked how long we have to hold the bid. Chief Dauphinais advised it would 60 Days to hold the bid. Mr. Hainsworth suggested we advertise after the first of the year with bids to be received by February 24th, 2012.

Mr. Newman made a motion to send out specs on New Truck out to Bid with Ad to be in Paper after January 1st, 2012, second by Mrs. Martone passed 5-0

Old Business:

NONE

New Business:

1. Mr. Lohr had a call and was questioned about the department's policy regarding transport to hospitals. If a patient requests to be transferred to a specific hospital what is the protocol. Chief Dauphinais advised it would depend on the Nature of the Call and the Emergency. State protocol is that if it's an emergency then they are to transport to the nearest facility which would be Fatima Hospital. There are also cases that a hospital will divert the call if they are not open. Overall the rescue crew tries to accommodate the patients on their request. Chief will look into the call in question further.

Mr. Lohr also questioned what separates ALS and BLS. Mr. Lohr questioned 64% staffing rate for ALS. Chief explained that the call

may not have required ALS so a BLS staff took the call – there may have been ALS members at the station. The call sheet indicates if it was and ALS or BLS transport. If the call requires ALS and if there is no ALS personnel from our department mutual aid is called in. Paul Silva who is Rescue Captain is at 90% of the calls and he is a Cardiac. The Day Crew always has at least one cardiac schedule for each shift.

Next scheduled meeting is the Monthly Board Meeting on January 18th, 2012.

With no further business at this time, motion made by Mr. Hainsworth to adjourn, second by Mr. Lohr passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted, ~~~~~

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District Clerk / Chepachet Fire District