

## **Chepachet Fire District ANNUAL MEETING June 14, 2014**

**The Annual Meeting was called to order at by Chairman Earl Newman. Polls declared open at 8:30am and closed at 9:00am. Polls closed as prescribed by Section 2 of article 2.1.1 of the By-Laws.**

**The Annual Meeting came to order at 9:00am with 15 voters present.**

**The Executive Committee's proposed slate of officers was unopposed and one ballot was cast for the slate for fiscal year 2013-14 which is as follows:**

**Moderator: Kevin J. Kitson – 1 yr term (exp. 2015)**

**Tax Assessor: Darlene Shields - 3years (Exp. 2017)**

**Executive Board: Robert Lohr – 3 years (Exp. 2017)**

**Motion made by Mr. Newman for the secretary to cast one ballot, second by Mr. Leonhardt and passed unanimously**

**Secretary's Annual Report for June 08, 2013:**

**Motion made by Mrs. Martone to accept report as submitted and place on file, second by Mr. Newman and passed unanimously.**

**Treasurer's Report: Written Report indicating all income and expenses from July 1, 2013 to May 31st, 2014 was submitted by Mr. David Steere, Treasurer. Mr. Steere presented the 11 month**

**Treasurer's Report and stated that to date the district was well within the budget. Motion made by Mr. Leonhardt to accept report as submitted and place on file, second Mrs. Martone and passed unanimously.**

**Tax Collector's Report: Written report from July 1, 2013 to May 31st, 2014 was submitted by Mrs. Patricia Svansson, Tax Collector. Motion made by Mrs. Martone to accept report as submitted, second by Deputy Chief Huestis and passed unanimously.**

**Chief's Report: Written report from July 1st, 2013 to May 31st, 2014 was submitted by Chief Robert Dauphinais.**

**Chief also wanted to thank the Board and the members of the Chepachet Fire Department for their support throughout the year. Motion made by Mrs. Martone to accept report as submitted, second by Deputy Chief Huestis and passed unanimously.**

**Proposed Budget:**

**A Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year for 2014 - 2015 was submitted.**

**The Proposed Budget is in the amount of \$570,069.00**

**Motion made by Mr. Lohr to approve the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2014/2015 in the amount of \$570,069.00, second Mrs. Martone and passed unanimously.**

**Old Business: No Old Business**

## **New Business:**

**1. Re appropriation of kitchen upgrade funds to be used for building repairs:**

**Motion made by Chief Dauphinais to re appropriate the kitchen upgrade funds to be used for the building repair, second by Deputy Chief Huestis and passed unanimously.**

**2. Septic System upgrade not to exceed \$30,000 to be funded from the fund balance:**

**Motion made by Chief Dauphinais Martone that \$30,000 from the fund balance for the purpose of repair/ upgrade of the septic system, second by Deputy Chief Huestis and passed unanimously.**

**3. Resolutions:**

**1. BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE GRANTED THE AUTHORITY TO AUTHORIZE THE TREASURER TO TRANSFER UNEXPENDED BALANCES FROM THE FUNDS OF ANY APPROPRIATION TO ANOTHER SHOULD THE NEED ARISE AND A SURPLUS BE AVAILABLE**

**2. BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE GRANTED THE AUTHORITY TO EXCEED THE TOTAL EXPENDITURES AS APPROVED IN THE BUDGET TO THE EXTENT OF**

**ANY GRANTS RECEIVED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR.**

**3. BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TAX ASSESSORS AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SET THE TAX RATE, NOT TO EXCEED 1 MIL OR 10 CENTS PER \$100 (ONE HUNDRED) DOLLARS OF VALUE.**

**Mrs. Shields read all Resolutions. Motion made by Mrs. Martone to accept the resolutions as read, second Mr. Leonhardt and passed unanimously.**

**4. Reading of Tax Assessment Report:**

**It was noted that the electors of the Chepachet Fire District at a meeting legally assembled on this day of June 14, 2014 hereby orders the assessment and collection of fire tax on the land and buildings of the Chepachet Fire District and tangible personal property at the sum not to exceed 1 MIL or 10 Cents per hundred dollars of the value thereof. Said tax is for the ordinary expenses and indebtedness of said district.**

**The assessors of taxes shall assess and apportion said tax on the buildings and improvements and tangible personal property of said district on the 31st day of October 2014 A.D. at twelve noon and shall on completion of said assessment date, certify and sign the same and deliver to the treasurer of said district on the 31st day of October 2014 A.D. The treasurer, on receipt of said assessment, shall**

**forthwith issue and affix said assessment, a warrant under her/his hand, directed to the collector of said taxes of said district, commanding her/him to proceed and collect said taxes from persons and estates thereof.**

**Such taxes shall be due and payable on the 2nd day of January 2015 A.D. and all taxes remaining unpaid on the 2nd day of March 2015 A.D. shall carry a penalty of 10% (10 percent) until paid.**

**All taxes remaining unpaid by the 31st day of March 2015 A.D. shall be collected by law. It was further noted that the Executive Committee of the Chepachet Fire District be given power to abate all uncollectible taxes.**

**Mrs. Shields read the Tax Assessment Warrant and a motion was made by Chief Dauphinais to accept Tax Assessment Warrant as read, second by Mr. Newman and passed unanimously.**

#### **5. Dedication and Blessing of the new Fire Truck:**

**Moderator Mr. Kitson informed all present that following the annual meeting the department will be having a dedication and blessing of the new Fire Truck. The new fire truck will be dedicated in Chief Emeritus James O' Chase honor and Fr. TJ Varghese will be blessing the new truck. Mr. Kitson welcomed James O Chase back to the fire department where he belongs.**

**With no further business to discuss at this time motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Lohr, second by Mrs. Martone and passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:10am.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Darlene Shields**

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**District Clerk, Chepachet Fire District**