

MINUTES OF THE 2009 ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE BRADFORD FIRE DISTRICT
HELD SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

1. CALL TO ORDER

Moderator, Frances M. Killeen, called the 73rd Annual Meeting of the Bradford Fire District to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at the Bradford Social Club in Bradford, Rhode Island, with nineteen (19) voters present.

2. NOTICE OF MEETING

In the absence of the Clerk, Madeline Trombino, the Notice of the Annual Meeting, as published in The Westerly Sun, was read into the record by the Tax Collector, Virginia Abruzzese, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes and made a part hereof.

3. OFFICERS PRESENT

Present at the Annual Meeting were the following Officers of the Bradford Fire District, namely, Moderator Frances M. Killeen, Tax Collector and Treasurer, Virginia Abruzzese, Tax Assessor, Dan King, and Fire Chief Jamie Sullivan. The Clerk, Madeline Trombino was absent. The District Solicitor, John P. Toscano, Jr., was, also, present.

4. MINUTES OF THE 2008 ANNUAL MEETING

The Minutes of the 2008 Annual Meeting were read and discussed. Chief Sullivan stated that the Minutes did not reflect a vote that the sum of \$10,000.00 would be placed in a restricted account yearly for the purchase of equipment, and further, a that the Building Committee would have authority to sell a parcel of land owned by the District at a reasonable price. Also, a special meeting would be held to approve the purchase of land having a greater value than the parcel being sold. Upon motion made by Chief Sullivan and duly seconded by Ray Laspee, the Minutes of the 2008 Annual Meeting with the amendments thereto were unanimously approved.

5. OFFICERS' REPORTS

(a) Treasurer Virginia Abruzzese gave her report. Upon motion made by Billy Briggs and seconded by Chief Sullivan, said report was accepted.

(b) Tax Assessor Dan King gave his report that ratable property of the District is \$149,306,330.00. Upon motion made by Billy Briggs and seconded by Elaine Harris, said report was accepted.

(c) Chief Jamie Sullivan gave his report that a budget of \$140,610.00 is need for the ensuing year. Upon motion made by Billy Briggs and seconded by Virginia Abruzzese, said report was accepted.

6. BUILDING COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

Robin Sullivan placed the following names into nomination for the Building Committee and upon motion duly made and seconded all were unanimously voted to sit on the Building Committee:

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| 1. Jamie Sullivan | 4. Elaine Harris |
| 2. Billy Briggs | 5. Harold Ellis |
| 3. Brian Morrison | 6. Frances Killeen |

7. NEW BUSINESS

Upon motion made by Mr. Maggs and duly seconded by Ron Harkness, the subject of purchasing land on Route 91 owned by Mary Lucey offered to the District for \$110,000.00 then came up for discussion.

Solicitor Toscano stated that all regulations such as special use permits, authority to borrow money, etc. would need to be addressed.

Upon motion made by Brian Morrison and duly seconded by Billy Briggs to borrow the sum of \$125,000.00 to include the purchase price and other expenses in order to purchase the "Lucey" property, it was unanimously,

VOTED: To purchase the "Lucey" property for \$110,000.00 and to borrow the sum of \$125,000.00 to cover other expenses associated with the purchase of said property.

Upon motion made by Brian Morrison and duly seconded by Billy Briggs to give the Building Committee the authority to sell property owned by the District located on Woody Hill Road at the best price attainable, and that the funds derived from the sale would be used to reduce the loan obtained for the purchase of the land for the construction of a new fire station, it was unanimously,

VOTED: That the Building Committee would have the authority to sell the District's property located on Woody Hill Road at the best price attainable and that the funds derived from the sale would be used to reduce the loan obtained for the construction of a new fire station.

Chief Sullivan stated that the building presently housing the District's two fire trucks is in need of a new boiler which the owner, Bradford Dyeing Association (BDA), is not willing to pay for the repair of the boiler. Chief Sullivan stated that heat is needed in the building where the trucks are stored.

Upon motion made by Robin Sullivan and duly seconded by Brian Morrison, Chief Sullivan is given the authority to spend up to \$5,000.00 to resolve the problem.

Taxpayer Joe Serra suggested that a liability and asset sheet be presented to the taxpayers at the Annual Meetings. After discussion, it was unanimously,

VOTED: That a liability and asset sheet would be presented to the taxpayers at all Annual Meetings.

Chief Sullivan stated that he would know by December of 2009 whether or not the grant for the construction of a new fire station would be approved. If the grant is not approved, then a Special Fire District Meeting would be held to vote on whether or not the District would borrow the money to construct the building.

8. AUDIT REPORT

Robin Sullivan then gave the audit report. Upon motion made by Angeline Lallo and seconded by Elaine Harris, the audit report was accepted.

9. OFFICER NOMINATIONS/ELECTIONS

Placed into nomination were the following names to hold office for the terms set forth below:

Moderator	Frances M. Killeen	One year
Clerk	Madeline Trombino	One year
Tax Collector	Virginia Abruzzese	One year
Treasurer	Virginia Abruzzese	One year
Tax Assessor	Elaine Harris	One year
Tax Assessor	Dan King	Two years
Tax Assessor	Ralph Abruzzese	Three years

Auditor	Robin Sullivan	One year
Auditor	Billy Briggs	Two years
Board of Engineers	Harold Ellis	Three years
Board of Engineers	Billy Briggs	Two years
Board of Engineers	Jamie Sullivan	One year
Fire Chief	Jamie Sullivan	One year

The Moderator then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion made by Elaine Harris and duly seconded by Robin Sullivan, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

ADJOURNED.

A true copy, attest:

Virginia Abruzzese
(For Clerk, Madeline Trombino)