

Exeter Fire District

(June 2, 2005)

Call to Order

Chairman Peter Lacouture called the June meeting of the Exeter Fire District to order at 7:02PM. Present were Commissioners Vergano, Lacouture, Nievera, Wilbur, Swanson, Walker and Reed. Also present were two members of the public.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Reed moved (Mr. Walker second) acceptance of the minutes of the May 19 regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Ms. Vergano reported that there was no activity in the account over the past month.

Communications

There were no communications reported.

Old Business

Mr. Lacouture reported that a review of the contract to be signed with Opal Data proved to be positive for the district. “It is a good contract with several protections not usually found in this type of contract” per Mr. Lacouture. Mr. Nievera moved (Mr. Wilbur second) to enter into the agreement with Opal Data. Mr. Lacouture will contact Opal Data to finalize the delivery of the contract and payment of the first of two installments.

Mr. Nievera stated he had received a phone call from a member of the Charlestown Tax Board inquiring as to steps taken in our search for a tax collector. They will soon start a similar search. They requested some of our research, (job description, interview questions, newsprint ads, etc.). Mr. Nievera asked if any board member objected to sharing the information with the Charlestown district. There was none. Mr. Nievera will send the requested documents to the Charlestown district at his convenience.

Prior to the interview process, the starting salary for the new collector was discussed. The consensus was that a starting rate in the range of \$13.00 to \$18.00/hr would be appropriate, depending on the

experience level of the candidate.

The board then interviewed Mr. John Majeika, Ms. Helenann Patience, Ms. Jean McMahon and Mr. Warren Halstead II.

Mr. Majeika withdrew his name from consideration.

The three candidates were discussed with the overwhelming choice of the board being Ms. McMahon. Mr. Wilbur moved (several seconds) offering the position of tax collector (pending a check of references) with a starting salary of \$15.00/hr., at will, to Ms. McMahon. The starting date will be sometime in mid June to allow for training and office familiarization. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Nievera will contact the above-mentioned references and e-mail the board with his findings. Mr. Lacouture will notify all candidates of the decision.

New Business

There was no new business discussed.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the board will be held at 7:00PM on June 16, 2005 at station #1.

Adjournment

Mr. Nievera moved (Mr. Reed second) adjournment at 9:07PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Nievera, Clerk

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