

Special Meeting of The Exeter Fire District Board of Commissioners was called to order on February 26, 2015 by Commissioner Charles Franklin at the Exeter Public Library at 7:03 PM.

Commissioners Present Robert Johnson, Patricia Whitford, William Haas. Commissioners absent Andrew Slater, Kevin Rooney, Ross Aker. Also present Peter Ruggiero, Attorney.

**Budget Hearing-** Motion made by Charles Franklin to open the Public Hearing. Second by William Haas. **Voted unanimously in the affirmative.**

**Fire District Administrative Budget** – Charlie explained the administrative budget, this budget is a 5.59% increase over last year. No Questions were asked.

**EMS Budget-** Charlie explained the EMS budget. Questions in regards to the Salary line, 2% increase for employees, the benefits have been listed separate as they have been combine in the past. The EMS Budget is -3.74% decrease, over last year.

**DISPATCH-** Charlie explained the Dispatch budget. One of the highest increase is this budget is the insurance. No Questions. Dispatch budget represents a 4.71% increase.

**EXETER #1-**Chief Chamberlain was present, he explained the budget for Exeter 1. Exeter #1 has appropriated to buy a new truck taking \$175,000 from their Capital fund. Questions from those present Mr. Hughes would like to see the monies in the funds for the Fire Department. He questions why the Fire Board does not have a listing of all the funds for the Fire Department. Board members explained the Fire Departments are separate entities. Mary Beth Cournoyer was wondering if the Department is buying a new truck every 10 years more monies should be appropriated for Capital Truck purchase. Exeter #1 Fire represents a 5.5% increase.

**EXETER #2-**Chief Franklin was present, he explained the Budget for Exeter #2. Exeter #2 shows an increase in Electricity and increase in Insurance. Exeter #2 represents a 2.0% increase.

The overall budget to present to the taxpayers at the April 8, 2015, Financial Meeting represents a 0.01% increase over last year. The budget will be taken under consideration by the Board of Commissioners at their next regular meeting March 12, 2015

Motion made by William Haas to close the Public Hearing Second by Robert Johnson. **Voted unanimously in the affirmative.**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES-**All EMS vehicles are titled and now have Fire Plates.

**AJOURNMENT-** Motion made by Charlie Franklin to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. seconded by William Haas. **Voted unanimously in the affirmative.**

Respectfully submitted

Patricia L. Whitford  
Acting Clerk, Exeter Fire District

