

December 16, 2011

The Board of Fire Wardens held its regular Meeting on Wednesday December 14, 2011, in the Valley Falls Fire Station, 555 High Street, Cumberland, RI.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm by Chairman Scullin.

Upon a Roll Call, those “Present” and “Absent” were as follows

Present Absent

Jim Scullin, Chairman

Charles Redihan, Vice Chairman

Norman Menard, Clerk

Ray Delgado, Warden

John Carr, Warden

Brian Jackvkony, Chief John Lopes, Treasurer

Joy Sullivan, Tax Collector

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – November 09, 2011

Charles Redihan made a motion to approve the minutes of the 11/09/11 meeting, seconded by Norman Menard, with an affirmative by roll call vote:

Ayes Nays

John Carr

Norman Menard

Ray Delgado

Charles Redihan

Jim Scullin

Tax Collector's Report

The Tax Collector's report was read by Joy Sullivan

A motion was made by Ray Delgado to accept the Tax Collector's report as submitted, seconded by Norman Menard, with an affirmative by roll call vote:

Ayes Nays

John Carr

Norman Menard

Ray Delgado

Charles Redihan

Jim Scullin

Treasurer's Report

Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report as submitted by Treasurer John Lopes.

A motion was made by Ray Delgado, to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by John Carr, with an affirmative by roll call vote:

Ayes Nays

John Carr

Norman Menard

Ray Delgado

Charles Redihan

Jim Scullin

Authorization of Expenses

Motion to accept Expenditures as presented was made by Norman Menard, seconded by Charles Redihan, with an affirmative by roll call vote:

Ayes Nays

John Carr

Norman Menard

Ray Delgado

Charles Redihan

Jim Scullin

Old Business

- 1. Fire District Consolidation discussion.**
- 2. Discussion of shared services with North Cumberland Fire District.**

At the last consolidation meeting of North Cumberland and Valley Falls Fire Districts a “Memorandum of Understanding” was drawn up.

This Memo was presented to the VFFD Board for review and discussion.

Upon review of “Memo” John Carr brought up that the “Memorandum” does it state the exact percentage of the Chief and Fire Inspector’s salaries that each department is responsible for. Mr. Carr brought up the previous agreement between departments that the Chief’s salary would be split 50/50 and the Fire Inspector’s salary would be 60/40 with VFFD responsible for 40% and NCFD responsible for 60% when the Inspector works for the VFFD. Warden Redihan so noted wording change of items to be added to Memorandum.

A motion was made by Ray Delgado to table “Memorandum of

Understanding” for further review until next Board meeting, seconded by John Carr, with an affirmative by roll call

Ayes Nays

John Carr

Norman Menard

Ray Delgado

Charles Redihan

Jim Scullin

Report of Chief of Department

The Chief’s report was read and submitted by Chief Brian Jackvony.

A motion was made by Norman Menard to accept report as read and filed, seconded by Charles Redihan, with an affirmative by roll call vote:

Ayes Nays

John Carr

Norman Menard

Ray Delgado

Charles Redihan

Jim Scullin

New Business

1. Resolution to General Assembly to abolish hydrant fees.

Chairman Scullin discussed with the Board the resolution to abolish hydrant fees.

A motion was made by Charles Redihan to go forward with the resolution, seconded by the entire Board.

All in favor, no nays.

2. Discussion of restricted/reserve account for pension obligation.

Chairman Scullin discussed earmarking \$150,000.00, from surplus account, to be set aside for the sole purpose of pension obligations. This money will be put in a separate reserved account.

A motion was made by Charles Redihan to set aside \$150,000.00 in a separate reserved account for the sole purpose of pension obligations, seconded by, John Carr.

Ayes Nays

John Carr

Norman Menard

Ray Delgado

Charles Redihan

Jim Scullin

3. Special Taxpayer meeting for Merger/Consolidation.

A motion was made by Ray Delgado to hold a special District Meeting for Taxpayers, with a tentative date of January 28, 2012, seconded by John Carr, with an affirmative by roll call vote:

Ayes Nays

John Carr

Norman Menard

Ray Delgado

Charles Redihan

Jim Scullin

4. Hiring of Administrative Assistant.

Discussion tabled until next Board Meeting.

Executive Session

Time in Executive Session 9:04pm

In accordance with Rhode Island General Law 42-46-5(1), 42-46-5(2).

Those present at the Executive Session:

Jim Scullin

Norman Menard

Ray Delgado

Charles Redihan

John Carr

Also: Chief Brian Jackvony

A motion was made by Charles Redihan to Seal the Minutes of the Executive Session, seconded

By Ray Delgado, with an affirmative by roll call vote:

Ayes Nays

John Carr

Norman Menard

Ray Delgado

Charles Redihan

Jim Scullin

Chairman Scullin closes the Executive Session at 9:20pm.

Return to open session at 9:21pm.

**Any other Business That May Legally Come before the Board –
“none”**

Public Comment – “none”

There being no further business, Ray Delgado made a motion to adjourn, seconded by John Carr, with an affirmative by roll call vote:

Ayes Nays

John Carr

Norman Menard

Ray Delgado

Charles Redihan

Jim Scullin

The meeting stood adjourned at 9:24pm.