

At a meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, holden within and for the Fire District on Monday September 8, 2014 at the fire station on 3502 Mendon Road at 7:00PM, the following were present:

Ronald Champagne, Chairman

Arthur Colwell

Robert Ballarino - absent

Donna Aguilera

Scott DiChristofero

- Chief's Report received and filed.**
- Tax Collector's report received and filed**
- Financial statement received and filed**
- Commissioner's report received and filed**

On a motion to pay bills by Donna Aguilera and Arthur Colwell, it was so voted.

On a motion to accept last month minutes by Arthur Colwell and seconded by Donna Aguilera, it was so voted.

COMMUNICATIONS: The Chairman received a letter from the town Department of Administration regarding a new financial reporting schedule that the District must file quarterly and annually.

OLD BUSINESS: The Chairman stated that the merger committee is moving very slowly. They did discuss new badges for the firefighters but nothing was really decided. The Chairman thought each local president should make the decision. The merger committee chairman

decided to poll all of the 54 firefighters.

They also discussed a payroll company and went over Jim Leonard's webinar on his payroll company. The Chairman thought that Ed Yazbek doing the payroll was more personalized. The Chairman thought the committee members liked each for different reasons.

Last month's legal issues which were brought up in the Executive Session regarding the attorneys representing CitiBank alleging that the chief and the district were in contempt of court for not garnishing a fire fighter's pay and wanted the district to pay the amounts owed by the fire fighter. The Chief and our attorney William Devereaux appeared before the court. The court ruled that the Chief was not in contempt and that CitiBank was not hurt as they were incurring interest. Legal fees to the district total approx \$7,900. The Chairman inquired of our insurance company to cover the loss. On its face the insurance would not cover the fees. It was argued that there would be a loss to the district should CitiBank win their argument in court. Because of the possibility of a loss to the district the insurance company decided to reimburse the district for Mr. Devereaux's fees.

NEW BUSINESS: None

Motion to close meeting by Donna Aguilera and seconded by Arthur Colwell, it was so voted at 7:24PM.

District Clerk

Diane Lemire