

**North Smithfield Fire/Rescue Service, Inc.**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**March 8, 2016**

**Called to order at 6:30 p.m.**

**Roll call of Voting Members:**

**Chairman: Paul Lefebvre**

**Vice-Chair: Brian VanHouwe**

**Treasurer: Daniel O'Brien**

**Secretary: Kenneth Thompson**

**At-large: Pamela LaBarre, Kenneth Peloquin, Linda Thibault**

**Non-voting member: Chief Joel Jillson**

**Previous Meeting Minutes:**

**Minutes of the February meeting, as emailed, accepted with a motion by Mrs. LaBarre, seconded by Mrs. Thibault. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Financial Report: not available due to computer problems. Will be included at next meeting.**

**Bills: (see attached) Mr. VanHouwe questioned Firematic bill. Chief Jillson explained that these three sets of turnout gear will be included with request for 16 under capital outlays and went on to explain the history, needs and process for Town funded capital outlays. Mr.**

**Thompson asked if we had a line item account to use for such purposes, to which Mr. O'Brien replied that there is a named account but that it is not funded for major expenses like roof replacement. Dr. Peloquin suggested that language is needed to set up restricted account for capital outlays that can't be taken back by future Town Councils. Discussion followed including future need to research accumulating surplus funds each fiscal year to set aside for major emergencies/expenditures, and setting up a staggered year purchase schedule where possible. Dr. Peloquin motioned to approve the payment of bills, seconded by Mr. VanHouwe. The motion passed unanimously.**

#### **Communications:**

**Woonsocket Rotary Annual Porketta Fundraiser. Six tickets available @ \$25.00.**

#### **Fleet:**

**Chief Jillson: Everything good. Apparatus Committee work ongoing.**

#### **Facilities:**

**Chief Jillson: Water heater replaced at Station 1—installed by Pvt. Provost.**

#### **Old Business:**

**Chief Jillson: Cistern (water supply) installation to be located on Town land at corner of Woonsocket Hill Road and Brentwood Drive**

**with Department of Public Works to install (hopefully). Two 20,000 gallon cisterns. Discussion of water supply in North Smithfield.**

**New Business:**

**Chief Jillson: Apprised Board of potential costs for covering absence of Firefighter Heeps for military obligations (one month currently assigned).**

**Personnel: Three probationary firefighters doing very well.**

**Executive Session: Not needed.**

**The next meeting is scheduled for the second Tuesday of the month, April 13th, 2016, 6:30 p.m.**

**Motion to adjourn at 7:32 p.m. by Mr. VanHouwe, 2nd by Mrs. Thibault. All in favor.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**(signed)**

**Rose Zariczny**

**(Note: any "attachments" can be viewed by request during normal business hours in the Office of the Chief, 1470 Providence Pike, North Smithfield, RI)**