

Spofford Fire District Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Meeting was held June 19, 2017 at 6:30pm at the Spofford Fire Station. In attendance: Dave Thomas, Chris Babcock, David Jordan, Michael Fuller, Tom Green and Cathy Schlichting.

1. Minutes from May 15 Commissioners meeting and the May 24 Special meeting were read and approved.
2. Unpaid bills were reviewed and approved for payment.

3. Old Business

- a. Tax Exempt Status: Waiting for response from the IRS
- b. Fire Pond: Waiting for Frank to finish another project
- c. Geothermal: Gassett Energy has begun work on the new system. Quotes were gathered from propane suppliers. Chris moved to award L&G Propane the contract for this year. David Thomas seconded. David Jordan recused himself from the vote. Vote was affirmative. Chris will make the arrangements to set up the work.
- d. Clean File Room: Still more to do.
- e. Grants: Chris reported it has been a slow start. We didn't make the cut for the apparatus grants, but he is hopeful for the two other applications.
- f. Rental Policy: Reviewed the draft and made changes. It is very similar to the Town's policy. Mike will talk with Dan Coleman. Revised draft will be reviewed next meeting.
- g. Insurance: Tom Green from GIA presented proposals from VFIS and ESIP. Proposals are basically the same. GIA is the agent for both. The State of NH sets the Workers Comp rate. same as last year. Chris made a motion to stay with VFIS and Berkley. Dave Thomas seconded. Vote was affirmative.
- h. Treasurer: Discussion about the situation regarding one individual cannot be both the Clerk and the Treasurer. Melissa Jordan would be willing to take over the Treasurer position. Dave Thomas will check to see what the Chesterfield Precinct is doing and also with the State.

4. New Business

- * The hose testing has been completed. There was some hose loss, but the trucks are still fully loaded.
- * Mike will be scheduling the SCBA flow testing.
- * Mike has proposed Steve Buckley and Mike Wiggin for the State Certificate of Recognition. Steve for his 30 years as part of EMS and Mike for his 45 years as a member of the Department.
- * Mike requested a review of the District guidelines and Department guidelines referring to the appointment of the Chief and Officers. Copies of the District policy and the State RSA will be posted to the Department.
- * Norm Van Cor, Selectman, reported that the Board of Selectmen has been receiving a lot of requests to ban the use of fireworks around the lake and in other areas. The Town is wrestling with the toxicity of the fireworks remnants polluting the lake. Please forward thoughts on the topic to the Selectmen.
- *Chris would like to review the purchasing policy. He will work on a draft for the next meeting.

Next Commissioners Meeting will be Monday, July 17th at the Fire Station at 6:00pm. Joint Commissioners meeting to follow at 8pm at the Chesterfield Station

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine H. Schlichting ~ Clerk/Treasurer