

Spofford Fire District Commissioner's Meeting January 21st, 2019

Chris Babcock called the meeting to order at 6:05pm

Present: Commissioner Chris Babcock, Commissioner David Jordan, Chief Steve Dumont, Clerk Tim Scanlon, Mike Fuller.

Absent: Cathy Schlichting, Dave Thomas.

Minutes from the December 17th, 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved by a motion by David Jordan, seconded by Chris Babcock. Motion passed unanimously.

Bills: Bills were reviewed and approved.

Old Business:

IRS- No activity

Spring St. Fire Pond- Still waiting on town.

Apparatus Maintenance/ Repairs- There was talk about getting new tires mounted onto Engine 1 and onto Rescue 1. It was tabled until after the budget is approved.

Equipment Maintenance/ Use- The powered suction on Rescue 1 failed, a new powered suction was purchased bill to come.

Building Maintenance/ Use- Every Monday the building will need to be available to The Spofford Fire Department, and the District. Public use already approved for Lions Club which is the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 5pm. Cub Scouts are the 4th Wednesday at 5pm for pack meetings. Senior Lunches are held the 2nd Wednesday from 11am to 3pm.

We received two requests from organizations to use the building. One was from The Spofford Firefighters' Association which requested to have the 1st Thursdays at 6pm every month. Also received a request from the AIM Senior Exercise Program, which is run through Home Health Care of Keene. They requested to have every Monday and Wednesday from 9am to 10am every month from February till April.

A motion was made by Chris Babcock to approve the two requests and allow the two organizations to use the building. The motion was seconded by David Jordan. Motion passed unanimously.

Stipends- The discussion about improving the process is being held off till after the budget is approved. Mike Fuller questioned about missing the last month stipend for being chief. The Commissioners will be reviewing and will be looking for a solution.

Explorer Program- The discussion about the program will be tabled till next month's meeting.

2018 Budget Review- The 2018 budget was handed out and reviewed.

2019 Budget Development- The 2019 projected budget was handed out and reviewed. A motion was made by Chris Babcock to approve the warrant articles for 2019. It was seconded by David Jordan. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

The treasurer has requested \$25,000 from the town for immediate funding needs. Average expenses were reviewed. The commissioners authorized the treasurer to request an additional \$40,000 when necessary to carry operating expenses into May.

Motion to close the meeting was made at 7:00pm by David Jordan, seconded by Chris Babcock and passed unanimously.