

1. Call to order

- a) A meeting of Board of Fire Wards held on July 12, 2021, began at 18:01 at Weare Town Office, 15 Flanders Memorial Road.
- b) BOFW Members in attendance included Steve Roberts – Chairman, Scott Dinsmore – Vice Chair, Fire Chief Robert Vezina - Secretary, David Hewey, and Wayne Meattey. Members not in attendance: Derek Chouinard. Leah Cushman joined the meeting at 18:04 hours.
- c) Mr. Higginson of Higginson Land Services of Henniker, NH

2. Old Business

- a) Burl Family Trust, Map202 Lot 94 – Mr. Higginson of Higginson Land Services, presented a conceptual subdivision of Map 202 Lot 94. This subdivision appears to require the installation of a cistern. Mr. Higginson sought input regarding location and size.
 - **Motion by S. Dinsmore/D. Hewey to approve the cistern location on Rockland Road. The size of the cistern to be determined later. Passed 6-0-0.**
- b) BOFW by-laws – L. Cushman spoke to and a discussion followed regarding need for by-laws for Board of Fire Wards.
 - **Motion by L. Cushman/W. Meattey to have all future meetings of the Board of Fire Wards at the Selectman's Office. If the room is unavailable, then the Chairman will decide a location. Passed 5-1-0.**

3. New Business

- a) The Fire Chief requested an increase to the hourly rate for Fire Rescue Details to cover the cost of overtime and benefits.
 - **Motion by W. Meattey/L. Cushman to increase the detail rate to \$53.00/hour. Passed 6-0-0.**
- b) Public Comment. L. Cushman spoke about having a public comment period at Fire Ward meetings, similar to that of the school board.
 - **Motion by W. Meattey/D. Hewey if public would like to comment, they are placed on the agenda for the next scheduled meeting. If the request is received after the agenda is published, then the comments are placed on the agenda for the subsequent meeting. Passed 3-2-1.**
- c) Agendas. L. Cushman spoke about having an agenda for Fire Ward meetings.
 - **Motion by L. Cushman/W. Meattey to publish an agenda at least 72 hours prior to Fire Wards meeting. Passed 4-0-2**

4. Minutes

- a) June 14, 2021
 - **Motion by Cushman/W. Meattey to amend the minutes 5(b) to insert the word unilaterally. Passed 4-0-2.**
 - **Motion by W. Meattey/L. Cushman accept the minutes as amended. Passed 5-0-1.**

5. A/P Manifest

- **Motion by R. Vezina/W. Meattey to accept the Fire Rescue's account payable manifest for checks dated July 15, 2021 in the amount \$11,165.07. Passed 5-0-1.**

6. Chief's Report

- a) Fire Chief gave monthly overview of Department operations.
- b) Operating Budget expensed \$375,138 or 37%.
- c) EMS Revenue Gross \$126,103.
- d) Incidents 57 for June – 441 for year

7. Announcements

None.

8. General Discussion

There was a discussion of moving the Fire Wards' meeting to the fourth Monday of the month to alleviate the need for second manifest. No action taken.

9. Adjournment

- **Motion by S. Dinsmore/D. Hewey to adjourn at 19:03. Passed 6-0-0.**

Submitted by: R. Vezina