

FINAL – Meeting Minutes for Board of Fire Wards – 1/13/20

1. Call to Order

A regular monthly meeting of Board of Fire Wards was held on January 13, 2020, at the Safety Complex. The meeting began at 6:10 p.m. and presided over by Chairman Steve Colburn & Vice Chairman Ricky Houde as recording secretary.

2. Attendees

Members: Chief R.Vezina, M.Bluteau, S.Dinsmore, D.Chouinard, S.Colburn & R.Houde

Guests:

3. Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve the meeting minutes for December 9, 2019 Bluteau/Colburn – Passed 6-0-0.
- Motion to approve the meeting minutes for December 23, 2019 Bluteau/Dinsmore – Passed 5-0-1.

4. Communications – None

5. Old Business

Fire Alarm System Regulations - Vezina, Colburn, Houde to revisit.

The Fire Command Vehicle – Vehicle is complete except lettering.

Discussion on existing Town Radio System – Goffstown Dispatch will be renovating their system before the Town of Weare does anything else on our side.

Standby Stipend – the plan is in action and it is working but weekend nights are still difficult to get coverage.

Discussion of the 2020 Budget and review of 2019 Expensed to Date.

6. New Business

Staffing Issues Discussion – two Per Diem's shifts will on leave for 6 months, nights and weekends are getting difficult to manage. Brainstorm session on how to fill those shifts without shutting down the station or paying significant overtime.

2020 Appointment of the Fire Chief

- Motion to re-appoint Chief Vezina for 2020. Bluteau/Dinsmore – Passed 5-0-1.

7. Chief's Report

YTD Operating Budget: 90% expensed 2019 YTD Ambulance Billing: \$168,500 Calls 2019: YTD 780

8. Manifest

- Steve Colburn makes a motion to accept the Fire Department's accounts payable manifest for checks dated January 16, 2020 in the amount of \$27,117.23.
- S.Dinsmore seconded;
- Voted and passed 5-0-1.

9. Non Public Session: 91-A:3 II (b)

- Motion to move into Non Public Session 91-A:3 (a) at 8:13 p.m. Bluteau/Houde – Passed 5-0-1
- Motion to move out of Non Public Session 91-A:3 (a) at 8:23 p.m. Colburn/Houde – Passed 5-0-1.
- Colburn – Yes, Bluteau – Yes, Chouinard – Yes, Dinsmore – Yes, Vezina – Yes, Houde - Yes
- Motion to Un-restrict of Non Public Session 91-A:3 (a) at 8:27 p.m. Colburn/Houde – Passed 5-0-1.
- Colburn – Yes, Bluteau – Yes, Chouinard – Yes, Dinsmore – Yes, Vezina – Yes, Houde - Yes

10. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Dinsmore/Houde – Passed 6-0-0.

Submitted by R. Houde – Recording Secretary