

Weare Board of Fire Wards

Final Meeting Minutes of December 14, 2015

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

A. MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Roberts ó Chair/non-member, George P. Beaudette - Vice-Chair/member, Jon Osborne - non-member, Robert Vezina - Fire Chief, Tim Maskiell ó non-member

B. RECORDING SECRETARY: Tina Ripley

C. GUESTS:

II. PUBLIC COMMENT: There was none.

III. COMMUNICATIONS: There was none.

IV. MINUTES: Tim Maskiell motioned to accept the minutes as presented of 11/9/15. George Beaudette seconded. Motion passed.

V. OLD BUSINESS: There was none.

VI. NEW BUSINESS: Steve Roberts said the Board of Selectmen asked all boards and committees back in the summertime and said they wanted him to bring it back to the Board of Fire Wards to see if they can meet another night so they could use the Selectmen's room. Tim Maskiell and Jon Osbourne said they didn't like the idea of being on TV. Steve Roberts said they are more of a technical board. Jon Osborne said they don't get much for public comment. Tim Maskiell asked if the argument is a chance for them to say no or is the decision already made up and they just need to figure out when they can do it? Steve Roberts said there are a lot of positive things happening here and said he thinks the Board of Selectmen just want them to share them. Steve Roberts said there are a couple of ways we can do that: 1) we receive awards occasionally and should be bringing them to the Selectmen's Meeting and making a presentation there. Chief Vezina said we did the awards and recognition all year round has they came up, rather than wait until the very end and cram them all in. Steve Roberts said their meetings are sensitive. George Beaudette said there is sensitive information and the Chief passes it on as needed. Chief Vezina motioned to table the idea. George Beaudette seconded. Motion passed.

VII. CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Vezina said there have been a few new hires: Greg Tuft ó medic, Adam Baker and Travis Joseph have been showing up for calls and are in the first responder class. Chief Vezina said when Adam and Travis finish the class and assume they pass, they can apply for second responder license. Chief Vezina said they helped with other Town Fires. Chief Vezina said they are close to collecting about \$120,000 in revenue. Steve Roberts asked if any of the new hires were from the last EMT class and Chief Vezina said two, Wayne Meady(application has been sent to the State for approval) and a female. Chief

Vezina briefly went over the financial records. Chief Vezina said they have the following warrant Articles: Ambulance(lease it for three years at \$85,000/yr), Jaws of Life set (\$35,000), Forestry Vehicle replacement(\$60,000), move the \$90,000 Pier Diem from the way the revenue is being diverted and move it into the operating budget. Steve Roberts said when the Chief gave the presentation to both the Selectmen and the Finance Committee it seemed to be well received. Steve Roberts said the Chairman of the CIP hammered it down pretty good. Chief Vezina said there were positive signs from the Finance Committee.

VIII: OTHER BUSINESS: George Beaudette asked if the website was going to be updated. Tina Ripley said she sends the minutes to Sue and said she thinks she sends them to Maureen.

IX: ADJOURN: Steve Roberts motioned to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. George Beaudette seconded. Motion passed.