## Enfield Fire District No. 1 Rescheduled Regular Commission Meeting Minutes June 13, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Scott Prentiss.

Attendees for the Board:

Scott Prentiss

Paul Benis

Maureen Brennan

William Higgins

Vincent Grady

William Moran

David Ragion

Donald Hayward

Patrick Droney

Also, in attendance were Chief Edward Richards and Deputy Chief Paul Januszewski.

## **Public Comment**

Taxpayer Derek Chapin read 2 statements aloud. Mr. Chapin stated other Districts have a May meeting. Debbie Chapin commented on budget at the Annual Meeting had some differences to the one listed on the website.

The minutes of the rescheduled April 11, 2019 meeting were read aloud by William Higgins. Motion by Vice President Vincent Grady, 2<sup>nd</sup> by William Moran to approve as presented. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The Treasurers Report was passed out and discussed. Motion by Vincent Grady, 2<sup>nd</sup> Maureen Brennan to approve as presented. Commissioner Patrick Droney asked for a copy of the salaries broken down. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The Fire Marshals Report for April and May were passed out and discussed. Motion by Vice President Vincent Grady, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Benis to approve as presented. President Scott Prentiss asked if the Post Office Road property was going to be built. Deputy Chief Paul Januszewski stated not at this time. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The Training Officer Report for April and May was passed out and discussed. Deputy Chief Paul Januszewski stated 3 firefighters are in Firefighter I and there are 2 new Firefighters just starting Firefighter I. Deputy Chief Januszewski stated the NIST grant is moving forward. This is a technology grant working with UCONN to benefit firefighters with building information. Vice President Vincent Grady asked how Firefighters are trained on apparatus. Deputy Chief Januszewski stated right now it is at the request of the firefighter. He also stated there are 3 more Rescue Qualified Drivers. Motion by Vice President Grady, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Benis to approve as presented. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The Chiefs Report was passed out and discussed. Vice President Vincent Grady asked about the status of Rescue 2. Chief Edward Richards stated it probably is not worth investing in due to the age and condition. Chief Richards stated the members made a great stop at the structure fire on Burnham Street.

Election of Officers for Commission was held:

Nomination for Vincent Grady for President by David Ragion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by William Moran. Vote of 5. Nomination for Scott Prentiss for President by Paul Benis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by William Moran, Vote of 4.

Nomination for Donald Hayward for Vice President by Paul Benis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vincent Grady. Vote of 5. Nomination for Maureen Brennan for Vice President by Vincent Grady, 2<sup>nd</sup> by William Moran. Vote of 3.

Nomination for William Higgins for Clerk by President Scott Prentiss, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vincent Grady.

Motion by Vice President Vincent Grady, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Maureen Brennan to approve the officer positions as voted. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## **Old Business**

President Scott Prentiss stated the HR Committee met with the Chief about filling the 2 position vacancies. Donald Hayward stated the job description should be reviewed and approved tonight. Vincent Grady would like to see future language requiring EMT be maintained.

Motion by Maureen Brennan to approve the current Full Time Firefighter job posting with consideration of application review by the District Attorney, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Benis. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Donald Hayward stated the town was considering the water system surcharge to the Fire Districts. He stated the town is not moving forward with this now.

## **New Business**

Maureen Brennan would like to know if it is possible to send out email notices of meetings. Commissioner Brennan would like to know if it is possible to put who is able to vote on the website. She also asked if a consultant should be hired to analyze the usage of apparatus in the department.

Discussion on By Law changes and possible referendum. Consensus is to move forward with By Law changes.

Commissioner Donald Hayward suggests rescheduling a VFIS – LOSAP Committee Meeting in early Fall.

The By Law sub Committee will be President Scott Prentiss, Maureen Brennan, Patrick Droney and Karen Wesliza.

The Station 2 renovation Committee will be Donald Hayward, Paul Benis, and William Moran. All members will be notified of Committee meetings.

Motion to go into Executive Session by Vice President Vincent Grady, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patrick Droney at 9:13 p.m.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 9:46 p.m. with no votes taken.

Motion to adjourn at 9:47 p.m. by Vice President Vincent Grady, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Benis. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

William Higgins
Clerk-Treasurer