



**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE
WAREHOUSE POINT FIRE DISTRICT**

Meeting Minutes

Monday October 7, 2019

Station 138, 89 Bridge Street East Windsor

Time: 7pm

Call to Order: 7:02

Attendance: Louis Flynn, Rachel Safford, Kevin Clynch, Charlie Nordell, Charlie Miller, Kirk Montstream absent

Added Agenda Items:

Treasurers Report: Motion to approve the treasurer report as presented, Rachel Safford, Charlie Miller second. All in favor

Discussion of insurance, lawn care and fire apparatus. Discussion of having the FSM mow the lawn at the two stations to save money on lawn care.

Clerks Report:

-Review meeting minutes from 9-9-19: motion to approve the minutes with the amendment of the word account to accountant, Charlie Nordell, Charlie Miller second, Rachel Abstained. All in favor

Chairperson's Report

-Town Communication: Discussion of the MOU from the town, the MOU is null and void at this point. This is disgraceful, we give it our all to the entire town, BBFD is fully subsisted by the town, we get nothing. There is nobody on the BOF that lives on the WHP side of town. The tax payers on this side of town pay double, I would like to thank Mr. Loos for his support to give us nothing at the BOF meeting. Draft letter for pilot funds will be emailed out to the commission.

New Business: Motion to add fire house use to the agenda, All in favor

-Paul Anderson would like to use the firehouse, he is he chair of the WPCA, he is running forums about the charter changes. The forum is a presentation of the legal notice, it is the questions that will be on the ballot. He said it would be an impartial session, people can ask questions. Louis Flynn, does our insurance allow the use of the building and also should we be on one side of the fence or the other? Kevin, I do not think we need to get involved with the politics, we should be distancing ourselves. Motion to reject Paul Anderson question to hold a Charter review session at the firehouse, Charlie Nordell, Kevin Clynch second. All in favor J. Barton, I think we need to get involved, I agree we need to be careful.

Old Business:

-District Bid Procedures: NA

-Casino: NA, no update

-Expansion of District: History was given about the process of expansion up till now. East Windsor Fire District Expansion Committee Final Report was presented by James P Barton. Motion to include the Final report into the minutes for this meeting, Rachel Safford, Charlie Nordell second. All in favor Charlie BOS, asked about the policy at the BBFD to have votes go over two meetings. Mr. Loos said that is has been this way for 62 years. More discussion of the unfair situation that WHP side of town is dealing with. There is calls where WHPFD is the only one at the call on both sides of town. Tax payers need to stand up and go after it. There needs to be equal taxation.

-Other sources of funds: A letter was drafted about the pilot funds.

D. Wagner, was there a reason for the BOF to reject the added appropriation? Mr. Barton, they never voted the just did not take action. Charlie Nordell, we did not ask for a valid request, it was for operating budget funds not a one-time purchase. If we asked for monies to buy a truck that would be valid. Charlie BOS, this was done with the town attorney.

Fire Marshal Report: Motion to approve the fire marshals report as presented, Charlie Miller, Charlie Nordell second. All in favor

I have been getting a lot of requests for real estate people asking about different properties. I also need a new vehicle.

Fire Chief's Report: Last month there was a staff injury on a call, he is ok, missed 2 days of work. Two trucks need minor repairs. Washing machine was installed. Hose was damaged on a call; the new hose has been ordered. We need to update the meters, they are failing. They no longer make the parts. The replacement boiler was installed. The driveway at station 2 needs to be resealed before winter. I have 2 quotes, 4500.00, 4000.00. The quote for 4000 is a Hartford Fireman. Casino mitigation money was discussed, the wording had the FD totally cut out. I did bring up the fact that is was unfair, they feel that our tax money is enough. The impact money is separate, we will be impacted. A young man drove over the hose, the police did a report, the insurance company called because he was asking for damages on his car to be fixed. Time of the accident, there was 2 firetrucks, 2 police cars, he said he was traveling 40 mph, the hose was in the hands of our firefighter which could have been worse. It is a violation to run over a fire hose. We need more protection on calls with traffic control. The EW police station has help for anyone needing assistance after the plane crash at BDL. Motion to approve the Chiefs reports as presented Charlie Nordell, Rachel Safford second. All in favor

Correspondence: NA

Public Session: Rachel, we could host a debate? Kevin, let them do it in a building they pay for. Charlie BOS, when you talked to the insurance company did, they know that someone was hurt? Chief, yes. Charlie BOS, when you are going to a fire, if someone gets hurt or something breaks do you go after the insurance company.

Executive Session

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the meeting 8:02 Rachel Safford, Charlie Nordell second. All in favor

Minutes submitted by Jill Caron