

Board of Fire Wards
August 2, 2021

Fire Wards present at the meeting: Chief MacDonald, Cliff Plourde, Wayne Blassberg, Brandon Merron, Dick Moody, and Joe Segien

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:30 pm

Item 1. The Board reviewed the minutes of the last meeting. Brandon Merron made a motion to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Joe Segien. All were in favor.

Item 2. Captain Merron presented an update on the Building Committee meeting. Co- Chairmen of the committee are: Captain Merron and Frank Welton.

Captain Merron noted the station redesign committee guidelines that will be used throughout the process.

- Project plan/timeline developed and presented to the Board of Fire Wards
- RFP – to be reviewed by the Board of Fire Wards prior to distributing to vendors
- Copy of meeting minutes sent to Board of Fire Wards
- Preliminary design of the station will be presented to the Board of Fire Wards
- All legal /contractual and cost related items to be approved by the Board of Fire Wards
- In any new designs the access driveway and Training /EOC should retain the original size or larger.

Captain Merron also discussed the suggestion of the safety complex. The committee determined that discussion of the safety complex should be separated from the Design Committee initially to first determine the feasibility.

Feasibility study would be done by Chiefs along with a civil engineer and third party architect. The results would be presented to the Board of Fire Wards and Selectmen.

Item 3. Chief MacDonald suggested to the Board that official authorization be granted to the Fire Department Administrator – Capt. Brian Dubreuil to approve

invoices, purchase orders, grant requests and various other financial transactions on behalf of the NBFD in the amounts up to and including \$25,000. Expenditures in excess of \$25,000. would require the Fire Department Chief's authorization in addition to the Fire Department Administrator approval.

Captain Merron made a motion to accept the proposal for Capt. Dubreuil to authorize expenditures up to and including \$25,000. The motion was seconded by Wayne Blassberg. All were in favor.

Item 4 Dan Teague will be relocating to Virginia at the end of the month. There will be a vacant seat on the Board.

Chief's Report

There are grants in the system for AFG (radios) and EMPG (repeaters and generators) but currently there are no updates since the system is down.

Due to the storm on July 18, flooding into the Fire Department basement caused damage to the oil burners. The oil burners will need to be replaced.

Dave Hall is retiring as rescue instructor. Adam Trainer will be the new instructor.

Capt. Merron agreed to take care of getting rid of the brush on the side of the station.

Plans are underway for the ceremony for 9-11 – 20 years.

Asst. Chief Cliff Plourde made a motion to enter Non-Public per RSA 91-A: 3, 11, (b) Personnel and Legal. The motion was seconded by Joe Segien.

All were in favor.

Captain Merron made a motion to accept the application of Noah Easter as a recruit on the NBFD. The motion was seconded by Dick Moody. All were in favor.

Captain Merron made a motion to exit Non-Public per RSA 91-A: 3, 11, (b). the motion was seconded by Joe Segien. All were in favor.

Dick Moody made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Wayne Blassberg. All were in favor.

