

Board of Fire Wards

Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2022

Fire Wards present at the meeting were: Chief MacDonald, Wayne Blassberg, Dick Moody, Joe Segien, Brandon Merron and Derek Danis

The meeting opened at 7:04pm with the pledge of Allegiance

Item 1. The Board reviewed the minutes of the January 4 meeting. Dick Moody made a motion to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Joe Segien. All were in favor.

Item 2. The Board discussed the tank replacement for Engine 2. The Board agreed to go with Dingee Automotive to replace the tank. Following insurance coverage, the cost will be \$4,377.00. Dick Moody made a motion to accept the contract from Dingee Automotive. The motion was seconded by Joe Segien. All were in favor.

Item 3. The Board discussed the steps going forward regarding the fire station. The Board agreed that going forward it would be necessary to strive for the building of a fire station only because of the absolute need. Chief MacDonald will discuss with the town administrator.

Item 4. The replacement of Utility 2 is scheduled for 2023. Discussion evolved around the replacement and possible designs to use as a multipurpose vehicle in the fleet.

Item 5. Wayne Blassberg made a motion to reelect Dan MacDonald as Fire Chief for the 2022 term. The vote was seconded by Dick Moody. All were in favor.

Item 6. The Board discussed the suggestion of streaming the Fire Ward meetings at the town hall. It was agreed the door is open for visitors at the fire station during the fire ward meetings therefore the Board did not feel the need to change location to the town hall for streaming. The Board will continue to meet at the Central Station.

Roundtable

Wayne Blassberg asked if there was a consensus regarding the return of the Firemen's breakfast. Following a discussion, it was agreed that the subject should be put before the Association for discussion before further discussion

Dick Moody noted that if the breakfast is not going to happen that the tables and chairs should be put in storage so they are not blocking that section of the station.

Derek Danis suggested a storage unit be purchased and placed outside the station to allow for more space in the building. Discussion followed. Chief MacDonald noted that it would need to be approved by the Board of Selectman. Joe Segien agreed to get information regarding the unit and its placement for discussion at a future meeting.

Brandon Merron noted that it has been approved by the recreation Dept that the White Building #2 can be used as a NBFD training room.

Cliff Plourde suggested that one or two pick -up trucks be added into the CIP to be used by the per diem person and or fire inspector.