Board of Fire Ward

June 29, 2020

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

Also present: NBFD Administrator- Captain Brian Dubreuil

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:03 pm

Item 1. The Board reviewed the minutes of the May 11, 2020 meeting. Wayne Blassberg made a motion to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Dan Teague. All were in favor.

Item 2. Chief MacDonald noted that the department SOG's have been revised. A copy of the revisions had been sent to Board members. There were no questions or concerns regarding the revisions. Brandon Merron made a motion to accept the revisions to the SOG's. The motion was seconded by Cliff Plourde. All were in favor.

Item 3. The Chief gave an update on the current Covid 19 status in New Boston. Currently there are 2 active cases. The total so far has been 22 cases. There have been no known fatalities. Chief MacDonald also gave a review of the Covid related grants that have been available. Captain Dubreuil summarized a proposal from the NBFD for a grant for a shower trailer which would allow members to decontaminate before going home. NBFD did not get the grant at this time but efforts will continue. Wayne Blassberg suggested that if grants are not available, the trailer be put on the warrant for vote by the town in March.

Item 4. SCBA Grant- The compressor which was acquired though the AFG grant program should be installed in August.

Item 5. Brandon Merron noted that Engine 2 is still scheduled to be delivered in August. Brandon shared pictures of Engine 2 on the production line.

Roundtable

Dick Moody – Dick asked the Chief how the command vehicle fitup was coming along. Chief updated the Board on the work being done on the vehicle to make it an asset at a scene. He plans to have a "training session" with Officers so that they will be familiar with operating it in the event they are using the Command Vehicle.

Brandon Merron – Brandon spoke about the fire department building fund and asked if Chief knew how much was in the fund at this time. Chief MacDonald noted that he was not certain but thought about 2700.00 at this time however many donations have come into the department this week from the Howard Towne memorial fund. Brandon asked if there was a plan in place to request a new station next year. Chief MacDonald said there was, but an updated plan has not been worked on at this time

Brandon Merron made a motion to go into non Public session RSA 91-A:3, II(b) at 7:40pm. The motion was seconded by Wayne Blassberg. All were in favor. Members Present were: Chief MacDonald, Wayne Blassberg, Joe Segien, Brandon Merron, Dick Moody, Cliff Plourde and Dan Teague. Also NBFD administrator Brian Dubreuil.

At 7:50pm, Dan Teague made a motion to leave non public session. The motion was seconded by Wayne Blassberg. All present were in favor of the motion.

Brandon Merron made a motion to accept Justin Pinard's application for membership on the NBFD. The motion was seconded by Dick Moody. All were in favor.

Brandon Merron made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Dan Teague. All were in favor.