

Board of Fire Wards

May 8, 2017

Fire Wards present were: Chief MacDonald, Cliff Plourde, Wayne Blassberg, Dick Moody, Dale Smith, and Scott Hunter.

There were 5 guests.

Jeremy Nixon was among the guests with his Mom. Jeremy was working on a Boy Scout communication badge.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chief MacDonald welcomed the guests and began the meeting with a public forum. Karen Scott, a resident noted that she had received the list of building committee members as she requested. Karen asked for an explanation regarding how the committee was chosen. In her opinion it seemed the committee members were all involved with the fire service. Chief MacDonald and Wayne Blassberg both noted that they thought the committee was well rounded.

Item 1. The minutes of the last meeting held on April 24 were read by the Board. Wayne Blassberg made a motion to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Dick Moody. All were in favor.

Item 2. Chief MacDonald noted that the ice rescue board that was on loan to the department has been returned.

Item 3. Chief MacDonald suggested that the Board go into summer session beginning in May. Wayne Blassberg made a motion that the Board of Fire Wards go into summer session from May-August. The Board will meet once a month the first Monday after the monthly business meeting. The motion was seconded by Dick Moody. All were in favor.

Item 4. Chief Macdonald gave his report regarding the radio circuit status.

Item 5. Chief MacDonald noted that there will be a disaster drill at the US Air force Tracking station on June 5.

Roundtable

Dale Smith- Dale asked Chief MacDonald where the FD budget was so far. Chief MacDonald noted that there haven't been any unpredictable expenses so far.

Dick Moody- Dick questioned what vendor the department would use to replace Valley. Discussion followed. The Board came up with four possible vendors – New England Fire Equip, Perkins, North American Equip., and Lakes Region

Cliff Plourde suggested that the purchase of 5 sets of gear be included in the 2017 budget.

Chief MacDonald asked if there was any public comment at the end of the meeting.

Kaleb Jacob asked if the Ridgeview project was still under budget. Chief MacDonald noted that so far the project was under budget.

Wayne Blassberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Scott Hunter.

All were in favor.