

Rumney Fire Commissioners
Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2023

Commissioners present: Terry French, David Coursey
Selectman: Ed Haskell
Fire Chief: Evan Hacker
Guests: Mike Brandli, Dan Madeglia, Sam Coes

The meeting opened at 6:00 pm. The minutes of July 10, 2023 were approved as written with Dave making the motion and Terry seconded it.

The status of the new truck was discussed. The price is locked in and on the list for assembly.

The chimney repair has not been started as the weather has not cooperated. Ed stated he thought the 18th would be the start date again weather permitting!

Hydrants – Route 118 is still be worked on. SB Welding cut the head off, sucked out the rock and put on a 6" head at the same time. 2 School Street needs deed to pond prior to working on it. Groton Hollow is next. Stinson Brook needs to be reconnected in the brook.

Apartment inspections – Evan stated he planned on starting in September.

Firefighter survey regarding building needs – the survey has been done and given to the Selectmen. The Commissioners should have a copy and Evan thought he may have one.

Active 911 for Commissioners – Dave stated the Commissioners have always had it and he recommends it be activated for them. There should be no additional charge to do this.

Blasting – There have been two blasts at Latulippe's pit with no issues. Evan has been present at the blasts. The license was just renewed but no date was given for the next blast.

Chief's report for July - they had 11 calls as follows:

- Mutual aid to Warren 3 times
- Rescue on Stinson Mountain
- Walk thru at the Baptist Church with a report coming from the Fire Marshall
- Special needs inspection
- Propane inspection

Dead River has been contacted to fix the heat at the station

A Grant is being prepared for radios

The State Hazmat trailer is located here in the parking lot

Price quotes for front tires for E2 is being researched. So far NE Tire has submitted a quote of \$2500 and waiting on Sullivan Tire which should be close. Dave questioned if Tire Barn had been contacted. The tires will be installed at the station so the truck will not be out of service any length of time.

Wentworth is being put on automatic response when Rumney is out of town

Evan presented his pay request for approval and time cards.

The budget paperwork has not been received but coming soon. The Commissioners should be involved with the budget process. The big expense would be for hose and ladder testing by an outside firm. Last year the cost was \$3500. Also ladders to outfit the new truck.

Two past firefighters have passed recently. It was questioned if anyone attended. Evan said he did reach out to Lydia. Cards had been sent to be Bonnie Beedle and Lydia McCart. A couple of men did attend the calling hours for Bo Beedle. Lyla came in at 6:35 and reported she had researched the history of both with the department. She did not find much for Bo but did for Jim.

Ed stated a tree beside the house in West Rumney had split but it did not hit the fire station.

Terry made a motion to adjourn at 6:43 and Dave seconded it.

Maria Hendell
Clerk