

RUMNEY FIRE DEPARTMENT
COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 12, 2014

Commissioners: Jim McCart, Terry French, John Bagley
Chief David Coursey
Clerk: Diana Kindell

Jim McCart, Chairman opened the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Minutes of the January meeting were accepted. Committee Handbooks were given to the Commissioners.

Chief Coursey reviewed the hydrant projects with the Commissioners. The Stinson Lake installation of a new hydrant will cost \$2000 for the permit and \$4600 for the installation. Neil McIver will get the permits and be clerk of the works for the entire project. The \$4600 represents Neil's price for doing the work. Three bids will be required for the installation part of the project and could come in at less money. The Quincy Rd. hydrant rehab will cost \$2000 for the permit and \$6270 for the work – Neil's price for that job which is projected to be done in 2015.

John Bagley made a motion to contact Neil McIver and have him start on the paper work for the permit at Stinson Lake, seconded by Jim McCart and all were in favor.

John Bagley wanted to make sure Ken Ward was recognized at town meeting for his years of service with the department. A plaque was suggested, though Ken will not be here for town meeting. John also wanted John Patterson remembered at town meeting.

John questioned the situation with Groton and the Chief told him it is in the Groton town warrant to vote on whether or not Groton continues to use Rumney Fire Dept. services. We will know after their meeting. Their present contract runs thru March. He further questioned mutual aid and being called in as 1st responder that way. David stated he has contact with mutual aid and if that does happen it is abuse of mutual aid. He can control that situation.

John suggested a pay increase for the Chief with the increase in responsibility and time spent working for the department. They will check other towns and see what is done elsewhere.

Selectman liaison, Ed Haskell, suggested to the Chief that if the library article fails, the department should apply for the remaining LCHIP funds to use to refurbish the W. Rumney fire station.

The Chief spoke of the EMS problems and said Mark Andrew would be meeting him upon his return to town and discuss the situation and possible solutions. John B. suggested if an addition was put on the station, it be for the ambulance complete with office work area. That would separate the departments.

Fire truck E2 is being worked on by a Cummins mechanic. He was here on the 10th and did find a leak on the fuel pump. When the replacement part arrives, the mechanic will be here to install. He will also put a bubble on the fuel line and check for additional air leaks.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell
Clerk