

RUMNEY FIRE DEPARTMENT
COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MINUTES
JUNE 9, 2014

Commissioners: Terry French, John Bagley, Timothy Lewis
Chief: David Coursey
Deputy Chief: Jim McCart
Firemen: Carl Spring
Clerk: Diana Kindell

Chairman Terry French opened the meeting at 7:03 pm.

The minutes of the May 12, 2014 were approved as written.

Chief Coursey updated the Commissioners on the school expansion project, noting that Buddy Thibeault of the State Fire Marshall's office would be working with him on the safety element. The school committee plans on attending a Selectmen's meeting in the near future to explain their plans, the need for the expansion and hope to have the support of the Select Board as they move forward.

A reminder – the retirement dinner for Ken Ward is Friday night (13th) at the Wright Lodge on the Conference Grounds starting at 6:30 pm.

Tom and Kathy Bentley attended this meeting to continue the interview procedure of joining the department. John Bagley questioned the procedure for this as the new by-laws are not in effect at this time. The Chief stated he would be interviewed by an appointed committee and then a secret ballot vote would take place at the members meeting. John Bagley made a motion to put this application thru the committee interview and have it go to a vote at the next meeting, seconded by Terry French and agreed to by the Commissioners. David appointed a committee consisting of Mike Brandli, Carl Spring, and John Bagley. It was noted that eight (8) years ago, Mr. Bentley had been voted down, however Mr. Bentley stated he was a part of the Hebron Department at that time.

The '69 International truck is stripped and ready to go out to bid. David requested a minimum bid of \$1000 as George Kirk told him that would be scrap value. When the bid information is available, Terry offered to post it on line.

John B. showed everyone a copy of the Fire Dept. web page as recently updated. He requested we add a link to a fire prevention site. The permit requirements will be reviewed for any additional information that can be included. We also need to keep the Facebook page up to date with regular postings.

Infrared camera – Tim Lewis presented the Commissioners with an infrared camera that was anonymously donated by a resident of Stinson Lake. This is a tremendous addition to the equipment of the Fire Department and no words can express their appreciation.

Chief Coursey stated E3 was leaking – gaskets are gone in the middle cross leg. The parts are in and it should be repaired within the next week. The tank gauge is not working and E1 has quoted a price of \$500 for parts and another \$500 in labor to install a new one. This creates a problem as you do not know when the tank is empty until it happens. The Commissioners told him to go ahead with this repair.

The Chief explained the problem with EMS and payment of the dispatch bill – higher than quoted. He further stated this should be resolved soon.

Carl S. noted the Explorer's breakfast is this Saturday from 6:30 am to 11:00 am. They hoped to bring in some of the bikers traveling through.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell
Clerk