

RUMNEY FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2018

Present: Cam Brown, Terry French, Tim Lewis
Fire Chief: David Coursey
EMS Director: Dan Medaglia
Secretary: Diana Kindell
Guest: Jerry Thibodeau

Chairman Cam Brown opened the meeting at 7:10 pm.

Minutes: The minutes of July 9th and July 16th were approved as written.

EMS: Dan was present to update the Commissioners of a meeting he recently had with the Select Board. They are against the merger of EMS with Fire and want to remain in control. They want to put a committee together to study the status of EMS. The Commissioners and EMS members want to go forward and put it out to the town for a vote. The Commissioners will draft a letter requesting an explanation of their thoughts to the Selectmen.

Proposal: Jerry Thibodeau came to the meeting to discuss an offer from Charlie Buckley to draw up a mechanics plan for the proposed addition to the fire station – at no charge to the town. The addition would be 24' x 40' with offices for the fire department and the police department. There would be a full basement underneath. The Commissioners agreed to proceed with this plan and no cost. They requested a meeting with the Selectmen to include them in the process at next Mondays meeting – the 20th.

CIP: SCBA packs – Purchase another 5 packs in 2019 to outfit another truck with matching new packs. The cost would be approximately \$35,050.

Protective Gear - As there is no back up gear at this time there should be three sets requested at a price of \$2335 complete. \$7000 for 2019.

Radios – Motorola mobile units (APX 8500 100 watt units) are priced at \$4600. The radio in Engine 2 is failing and there is no longer support for this unit. The Forestry truck does not have a 100 watt radio. Two mobile units cost \$9200.

Portable radios complete with lapel mike, charger and holder are \$2718 each. We are looking to replace at least two (2) of these.

A UTV is being looked at as a necessary addition to the department given all the off-road activity in the area. Not only Rumney Rocks access, but an extensive bike trail is in use in Dorchester.

A Zodiac should be added for a future purchase. Pricing for the boat is \$1500 and the motor is an additional \$1500.

Updates: Status of 2 School St. – the tenants have left with family members using the apartment at this time. Work has stopped on the egress and other required improvements

Beckett has submitted their plans for the MD Tractor building and they are currently being reviewed.

Chimney is up, however a leak was discovered with water coming down into the kitchen. Nate will rebuild the "cricket" around the chimney to eliminate the leak.

Furnace – we have received no information on the bio-fuel system.

Lighting replacement for meeting room, kitchen and office – Tom Sabourn has contacted NHEC regarding accessing the 50/50 rebate they offer. Nothing definite has been heard on this.

Active shooter gear – we know of no progress on applying for that grant.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell
Secretary