

Rumney Fire Commissioners
Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2020

Present: Cam Brown and Tim Lewis
Chief: David Coursey
Secretary: Diana Kindell
Guest: Tony Albert

Chairman Brown opened the meeting at 6:10 pm. Bills were signed for approval and the minutes of June 8th were accepted as written.

They reviewed the proposed sign design to replace the old sign on the building (which has fallen down). Both approved the design and questioned the construction of it and how it would be mounted. Tim had several suggestions for mounting it and offered to help do that. A bucket truck would be available for this project. The Chief will order two signs – one to face Route 25 and one to face Depot Street.

Tony Albert, Groton Selectman, attended the meeting to brief the Commissioners on the needs in Groton which has no Fire Chief at this time. He would like to see his town covered between Hebron and Rumney with changes in the run cards to expand the coverage areas. Any forest fire calls both towns would cover. Currently there are no inspections being done there for gas and oil installations. The following need more clarification:

1. Redo the contract
2. Documentation of needed services
3. Indemnify the Chiefs through Groton when acting in that town
4. Identify accurately the coverage areas.

At the last meeting an increase in stipends was discussed and an adjustment was voted on. Since then some review has been done to determine where we are with the budget line. With the increase in calls the department has seen, a recommendation was made to relook at the recommended changes. After review of the numbers Tim made a motion to increase the stipend range from \$11/\$13 to \$13/\$15 effective July 1st. Cam seconded this motion and both agreed. The two (2) hour minimum discussed previously has been dropped at this time.

The truck committee has not met yet, but the Chief will put a meeting together this month.

Cam questioned the progress of the school construction and the Chief stated it is ahead of schedule. He is still working with the Fire Marshall's office and SAU 48.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell
Secretary

