

Rumney Fire Commissioners
Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2021

Commissioners present: Cam Brown, Terry French, Tim Lewis
Fire Chief: David Coursey
Secretary: Diana Kindell

Chairman Brown opened the meeting at 6:05 pm. Bills were signed for approval and the minutes of December 14 2020 were approved as written.

The Selectmen's minutes for December 21st regarding the Fire Department budget and change in payroll was discussed. The Commissioners will respond to these minutes.

Terry was told the numbers for our budget had been readjusted. We have no official update on this and the secretary will request an updated copy.

Town of Groton has requested a report from the department for their Town Report. This will be further looked at as to exactly what they are looking for. We contract with Groton for partial coverage of their town. Hebron does provide them with a report and they would like to include one from Rumney,

A couple of changes regarding the building were discussed – changing the location of the office to facilitate the Forestry truck having room here. West Rumney would become a storage building, however, the asbestos situation still exists there. This can be a hazard even going in to retrieve a piece of equipment as needed. The Commissioners will review asbestos regulations and write a letter to the facilities committee regarding this hazardous situation.

Is this the year for a new truck to present in 2022? A truck committee should be established early on so figures are available for October budget time.

The trucks are presently in good shape – the water level gauge has been fixed on T1 and the dump valve has been installed on the back of it. E2 also has a dump valve on the front of it. This is important when responding to Canaan and others west of here as they utilize dump tanks on their calls. The new 6" suction hose was put on E2 and the older one on E3. Pricing for on spots for the trucks will be looked into. Wentworth has a four-wheel drive truck that we can call on for Bailey Hill in Groton. This area has recently been developed and is barely accessible.

The 100W radio has been installed in the Forest truck.

As the department was awarded the forestry grant for 2021, an order will be placed soon for clothing needed for forest fires.

Election time is near and signing up for office is slated to start on the 20th.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

