



BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF NEWTOWN

December 21, 2020 at 7:00 pm
Google Meets

Meeting Opened By: Pat Reilly, Chairman at 7:00 pm

Commissioners Present: Patrick Reilly, Ron Bolmer, Jay Nesvesky, , Tim Whelan, Tom Fitzgerald and Brian Sharnick

Marshals Present: Rich Frampton, David Ober and Jamilynn Zapata

Chiefs Present: Chris Ward, Paul Basso and Bill Halstead

Chairman's Comments: None

Approval of Minutes: November 23, 2020

Motion Made by: Jay Nezvesky

Seconded By: Tim Whelan

Passed unanimously

Correspondence: None

Public Participation: None

Marshal's Report: FM Frampton will give November report in January with Decembers.

Marshal's Remarks: Office staff has been out sick.

Purchasing Agent: None

Combined Chiefs: None

Reports from Standing Committees:

Policy and Procedures/ PPE: None

Radio & Hydrant Committee:

- † Bill Halstead reported that he will need an update inventory list for January.

Including Outside Speaker mics headset & jacks etc. for the budget and the CIP budget meeting. Pump panels- all needs to be included for the install.

- † There is a town owned parcel of property (Split Rock/Eden Hill) near the Eden Hill property they were looking at to put a pole.- Rob Sibley is looking into the feasibility of putting the pole on that property.

- † Rob Sibley is also look into the The Dinglebrook Tower- adding the FD and Ambulance to that tower.

Hydrant: None

Truck Committee – None-

Update on Tanker- Tim talked to the salesman- Cab and Chassis are built. The engineering at Sparten is doing the final touches so they could start building the truck- He couldn't pin him down to a date but they are looking at late spring.

Budget Committee- Jay reported that they have met with the departments and plan to meet again and will have a special meeting in early January. Jay has not heard from Selectman or Finance yet as to a date for review of budget.

NUSAR- None

Old Business- The Legislative Council has done a financial review of the Tax Abetment change with amount in a \$100,000. and has asked the Selectman to reach out to Pat Reilly to discuss. Jay asked about the breakdown on this figure. It seems high- This does include the ambulance and NUSAR as well but will be discussed in detail.

Replacement of FireHouse Software- NFIRS reporting software. Tim suggests that the budget committee put a figure in the budget and then take the next 6 months to review options and pricing- Tom suggested maybe putting a date of July 1, 2021. There will need to be 3 quotes.

Pat suggests that when they meet with the Selectman and Finance they can have a conversation with them on this to let them know that we need to find a new program.

New Business – Legislative Council suggests reviewing the Charter for any revisions the Board would like to Discuss.

A motion was made to adjourn

By: Jay Nezvesky

Seconded by: Tim Whelan

Passed unanimously

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Nancy Schreiner, BOFC Clerk