

Minutes of October 15, 2014

The meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioner's was called to order by President O'Connor at 7:00 PM. The President advised that all requirements of the Open Public Meeting Laws have been met. Roll Call, Gifford-present, Walsh-present, Scollay-present, Dowling-present, O'Connor-present, Mr. Braslow - present. President O'Connor reminded everyone that this is a public meeting and that smoking is not allowed. The flag was saluted. The minutes of the September 17, 2014 meeting were read. Commissioner Walsh made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 17, 2014 meeting, Commissioner Gifford Scollay, roll call vote, full board yes. Commissioner Walsh made a motion to pay all bills that are before the board at this time. Commissioner Gifford second, roll call vote, full board yes.

Treasurer's Report:	Earl Gifford	
Checking Account:	-	\$ 710,326.19
Interest Earned:	-	\$
Funds Received:	-	\$ 6,666.74
Permits Received	-	\$ 707.00
Smoke Detector:	-	\$ 630.00
Total Disbursements	-	\$ 84,952.87
Capital Account	-	\$ 559,965.90
Capital Account Interest	-	\$ 92.64

Commissioner Gifford stated the increase in the capital account is due to the quarterly check

Commissioner Gifford said that he has a letter from Oliver in reference to the 2015 budget format. The ECA has made significant changes, I have them and we will get together to answer the questions.

Correspondence:

Commissioner Dowling said that we have a room request from Henry Kataleon for November 6th, from 5:00- 7:30 PM

Commissioner Dowling said we have a room request from Diane Armstrong for January 17, 2015 for a baby shower from noon until 4:00 PM

Commissioner Dowling stated that he has a copy of an accident report on September 16, 2014 involving Jon Losquadro.

47 Chief's Report- Mike Evans, Chief Wanamassa Fire Company
48 reporting. No report given, no one is here again this month
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50 Captain's Report- Captain Easton, Wanamassa First Aid Squad
51 reporting.
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53 Calls for the month 65, emergency 16, mva , fire , drill ,
54 mutual aid 4, mutual aid/mva , duty crew 10, total volunteer
55 calls 30, total per diem calls 35, total for % year from
56 10/2011-9/2012, regular calls 682, mutual aid 85/ duty crew 69
57 /total 836
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59 Captain reported the mileage on the captain's car is 43,525
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61 Captain Easton JSMC trauma lecture series is October 16th
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63 Captain Easton MMC CEU's is also on October 16th
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65 Captain Easton stated that Cindy Apfelbaum is on medical leave
66 as of September 27th
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68 Captain Easton said at the next Monday night meeting she is
69 going to remind the members about call sheets still missing
70 vital information, and issues with the stretcher and stair chair
71 being lifted off the ground.
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73 Captain Easton stated that family fun day at Cedar Village is
74 October 26th and I have promised the rig from noon until 2:00 PM
75 and they will donate the proceeds of the bake to us
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77 Captain Easton stated that Shannon has taken over ordering our
78 consumable supplies
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80 Captain Easton stated the Henry has offered to get me a copy of
81 Ebola protection protocols from Robert Wood Johnson
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83 Captain Easton gave the board the percentages for the year
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85 Captain Easton said she is not sure who will be captain next
86 year so she did the budget for 2015
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88 Fire Police Report- Patrick Barrett, Commander
89 Wanamassa Fire Police reporting. No report
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91 Call for the month 15, responded 9, structure 2, mva 3,
92 smell smoke 2, fuel spill 1
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94 Commander Barrett reported the mileage on 298 is 10,900

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96 Captain Barrett gave the board his budget for 2015

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98 Fire Official's Report -Fire Marshal Haege, Fire District
99 #2 reporting.

100 Inspections 66, Re-inspections 7, Permits: inspected & issued 6,
101 fire investigations , other 1 smoke detector 27, UCC 22,
102 complaint 1, penalty \$50.00, registration fee for month - \$2,540
103 registration fee to date \$21,887.55

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105 Fire Marshal Haege reported the mileage on 230 is 88,992, 231 is
106 27,828, 232 is 91,677, and 233 is 86,571

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108 Mechanics report: Fire Marshal Haege Reporting

109 250 OK

110 256 out of service

111 257 OK

112 273 pump tested, we noticed today a smell battery burning
113 in the bay and John took care of that (2 new batteries)

114 275 we had white smoke coming from the cab, testing
115 company called and they stopped testing, we went back into
116 the pump testing again and the same thing happened.

117 Campbell came and looked at the truck felt it was a
118 transmission leak. We rescheduled to go to Shrewsbury where
119 they are testing air trucks, Campbell will also be there.

120 It happened again we had flash fires underneath the cab.

121 Then we took the truck out of service. I received an email
122 tonight they are going to redo the test while they are

123 monitoring the truck, more to follow. A discussion followed

124 278 pump tested and passed, had a small air leak and we
125 are working on that

126 285 PM fixed

127 287 OK

128 290 still waiting to go to Campbell

129 298 OK

130 266 OK

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132 230 Knox box got approved and came in it will be installed
133 tomorrow

134 231 Knox box got approved and came in it will be installed
135 tomorrow

136 232 OK

137 233 OK

138 240 OK

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141 Fire Marshal Haege said speaking of Knox in 266 and 267
142 they a central Knox, Knox no longer supports that and they
143 have said to contact them on a trade in price. A discussion
144 followed

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146 Fire Marshal Haege said he ordered the new CO meter which
147 you approved. I sent one out last week for recalibration
148 the board went bad in it, so they ordered a new board. We
149 don't have to pay for the board because it is under
150 warranty, we just have to pay for installation.

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152 Fire Marshal Haege said the Roller Rd gate sometime last
153 week wasn't closing. Called the fence guy and he fixed it.

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155 Fire Marshal Haege said that on 273 the overhead door broke
156 and we are getting it fixed. A discussion followed

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158 Fire Marshal Haege said the gym is being painted and it
159 will be done tomorrow, and the floor is all down

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161 Fire Marshal Haege said we ordered a TV for the EMS ready
162 room

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164 Fire Marshal Haege said that Oakhurst is going out Friday
165 and meeting with Sean Goldman concerning where is the
166 county going there is a lot of information out there we are
167 ready for it but they don't seem to giving it to us. We had
168 a call the other day with Dean and they couldn't hear it,
169 we are paying for service and it doesn't seem like we are
170 getting our use out of it. A discussion followed

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172 Commissioner Gifford sad we had an ambulance we had to have
173 towed. Mr. Francis said that the battery, I opened the hood
174 and steam was coming out of the battery, I thought I was
175 going to explode I never saw anything like that so I
176 unplugged it let it cool down and I was going to take it
177 the next day. The next day I couldn't get it started so we
178 had it towed. They called today and one of the alternators
179 went.

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181 Unfinished Business:

182 1 - Commissioner Gifford said that the sign has been installed
183 and it looks great. We had training set up and it was cancelled
184 because the women got sick. I am trying to reschedule for
185 Wednesday, October 22nd at 2:00 PM. I will send out an email to
186 everyone.

187 2- Commissioner Gifford stated that we had an issue while we
188 were away that someone had complained about the brightness of
189 the sign. I ended up that the day and night were reversed so
190 they fixed that.
191 3 - Commissioner Gifford asked for authorization to order some
192 additional key fobs.
193 4 - Commissioner Gifford said that he sees that the gym is in
194 progress over there, did they finish the floor. Mr. Francis said
195 it was just to hold the glue, they glued the strips down, the
196 floor is all done.
197 5 - Commissioner Scollay said we had a discussion at the last
198 meeting on the future of the firehouse and how we are going to
199 move forward. Commissioner Scollay said that we got blue prints
200 from the town. We would like to get a meeting in the next couple
201 of months. A discussion followed

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203 New Business:

204 1 - Commissioner Dowling made a motion that we give Diane
205 Armstrong and Henry Katelon there room request. Commissioner
206 Walsh second, roll call vote, full board yes
207 2 - Commissioner Scollay said that the fire company gave us
208 there budget and I wanted to talk to them about it. No if know
209 one from the fire company operations is here at the meetings
210 without them we can function efficiently. They have not shown up
211 for a couple of months now. I think a letter should go out to
212 the new officers coming in that this is a two way street, that
213 communications go both ways. If you have something to say you
214 should attend the meetings and tell us right here. Commissioner
215 O'Connor said in all the years I have been in the organization
216 and as a commissioner this is the first time we have had this
217 problem with no one showing up.

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219 President O'Connor asked if anyone seated would like to bring
220 anything before the Board.

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222 Commander Barrett said that he didn't put this in the budget
223 because it is such a small matter I thought if you could approve
224 it I could talk to John. The fire police with three active
225 members would like to keep their equipment next to the van. We
226 are looking for 3-4 hooks on a piece of wood drilled into the
227 wall with hooks on it. They said they had extra hooks, Commander
228 Barrett said that this would be great.

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230 Fire Marshal asked if we had a policy for fire officers if they
231 are all out town with the vehicles. Last week all of the
232 officers were out of town. The chief's vehicle sat here for
233 close to a week, is that handed down to anyone in the fire

234 company. A discussion followed. Commissioner Gifford said that
235 this should be brought up on the fire company floor during their
236 meeting.

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238 At this time the Commissioner Walsh made a motion to close the
239 meeting at 7:30 PM. Commissioner Dowling second, roll call
240 vote, full board yes.

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