CONWAY VILLAGE FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S MEETING Thursday March 31, 2016 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 3:30

Commissioners present: Janine Bean, Michael Digregorio, Joseph Quirk

Others present: Gregg Quint- Superintendant, Chief Solomon, and Amy Snow-Municipal Bookkeeper

<u>ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS</u>

Mr. Bamsey made a motion to approve items A through B, motion seconded by; motion passed 3-0-0.

- a. Ratify A/P Manifest and sign checks dated 3/31/2016
- **b.** Ratify Payroll and sign checks for period ending 3/27/2016
- **c.** Approval and signing of Superintendent's. and Chief's timecards for period ending 3/27/2016
- **d.** Approval of Meeting Minutes dated 3/24/2016

Mrs. Bean signed the Superintendant's and Fire Chief's time sheets for week ending 3/27/2016 Mr. Digregorio made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes dated, Mr. Bamsey seconded the motion; motion passed 3-0-0.

Signature cards were signed for Northway Bank.

Ms. Bean updated the board that she talk to Mr. Crean and discussed RSA 33.2. (Repayment of loans) She was advised to call David Barns at Devine Millimet and ask about the interpretation of RSA 33.2 and to ask if we can refinance the loan and also extend the terms out. Municipal association would be the group to get some help in re-writing a bill to go before the legislator.

Ms. Bean also spoke with Sean Thomas in Frank Guinta's office who we have been in contact with regarding the 6.6 million dollar loan with RD. They have someone working with RD and they will be meeting with Jeanne Shaheen's office within the next two weeks. There is talk about RD because all the municipalities in NH are having problems with these loans because of the length of the loans being shortened. Rd is looking at rewriting all the loans and a percentage of principal forgiveness. If we refinance with the Bond Bank it will not be an RD loan that can be refinanced. The Board does not want to miss out on the potential opportunity in refinancing with RD however Ms. Bean signed the application for the Bond Bank to keep that option open as well to refinance the 7.7 million after interest at a lower rate and extend the term out. Tom Buco will be signing the Waste Water Asset Management Resolution.

Mr. Bamsey made a motion to accept the five conditions of the waste water asset management resolution, Mr. Digregorio seconded the motion; motion passed 3-0-0.

FIRE CHIEF'S BUSINESS

Chief Solomon updated the Board on Carry Outs and passed out a hand out (attached). Report reflects carry outs for the White Mountain National Forrest (WMNF). Eight carry outs total for 2015 with a cost of \$15,970.67 recovered cost \$2,926.90 with a final write off of \$10,344.67. Chief Solomon also stated there is more than just a financial impact to the CVFD, not only is it costly it is time consuming and requires most times all able bodies to respond. Carry outs also cause a delay in response to other calls, in 2015 mutual aid was used 3 times and 1 call went to someone else because we were not available to take the call. Chief also looked at the impact of not doing carry outs we are not legally obligated to do them. However there would be a delay in patient care could add a 1 ½ to 2 hours to the rescue. CVFD also provides advanced life support care, no other group does this. Discussion ensued. Mr. Digregorio said he understands we are the fire department of choice to cover lower falls and Sabbaday falls however how we need to get compensated to cover our cost, so there is no cost to CVFD tax payers. Mr. Digregorio feels CVFD should not be subsidizing Albany or any other area. Chief Solomon agreed, he is doing his research on this to see what the rest of the country is doing. Chief Solomon asked for direction from the board to approach the Town of Albany to discuss the contracts. Mr. Digregorio said not at this time he's not ready to negotiate yet Ms. Bean agreed Mr. Bamsey suggested we need to find an equitable solution, discussion ensued. Ms. Bean suggested sitting down with them (Albany) and discussing the carryout's and Rescues and also invite Fish and Game and the Forestry. We can't tell them if there would be any increases at this time. The board wants to see if there is any funding available from the State or Federal Government for these rescues and carry out's.

SUPERINTENDANT'S BUSINESS

Mr. Quint reported that he talk to Doug Burnell who is on the conservation committee, has expressed concerned about the debris behind the brick building and inquired what the District is doing with the building. The debris that Mr. Burnell is inquiring about is not on our property. Chief Solomon stated he has called the building inspector about the shed that was built without a building permit and so far nothing has been done about it. Ms. Bean suggested a letter be sent to the Town of Conway about the shed that is encroaching on our property that has no building permit.

OLD AND PENDING

Ms. Bean asked for an update for the Joint Loss Management Committee. Chief Solomon said he has some people who have shown interest.

Mr. Quint updated the board that Steve made changes to the Backflow testing Policy should have it for review next week.