

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Fire Engineers Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2022 1700 pm

Meeting called to order by Chair John Klanchesser at 1700hrs.

Present: BOFE John Klanchesser, BOFE Ann Hebert, BOFE Jim Fabrizio Chief Hoyt, Assistant Chief Moynihan, Laurie Mu

Public Comment: None

Minutes: Engineer Fabrizio made a motion to accept minutes from December 1, 2021 meeting. Engineer Hebert seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Roll call vote. Hebert- Yes. Klanchesser-Yes. Fabrizio –Yes.

Chiefs Report: Chairman Klanchesser made a motion to accept Chief's report for December 2021. Engineer Hebert seconded, motion carried 3-0. Roll call vote. Hebert- Yes. Klanchesser-Yes. Fabrizio-Yes.

2021 Calls for Service 986, Inspections 192. Mutual Aid ambulance 39, Mutual Aid Fire 46, Recalls 66, Simultaneous Calls 33.

Deposited Revenue: Gross deposits \$255,092.75. Offsets to deposits \$109,457.27 covid clinic salaries/retirement/fedi-medi, \$14,250 Tamper switch installation. Net deposited income: \$131,385.48

Old Business:

Grant update – AFG Grant- Department submitted grant application for a SCBA compressor. Cost is approximately \$77,000, \$6,000 installation fee. Department/Town responsible for 5% matching funds.

OEM Grant- Postponed. Office of Emergency Management (OEM) needs to apply for the Grant but cannot do so without a DUNS number. Possible grant available for a Traffic Control Trailer. Cost is approximately \$50,000.

Apparatus Update –New Command P/U – is in the process of being delivered.

New Engine- Starting on production line within the month. Estimated delivery May or early June. Weekly status updates with pictures once build process starts.

Engine 2 – OOS. Currently at repair shop. Diagnostic tests run for check engine lights resulted in new crank position sensor and turbo vein actuator. Cost of repairs is estimated to be around \$2,000. Board will be updated on cost of repairs.

Station Addition – Still waiting for the gutter to be installed.

Station –Duct cleaning is overdue for the station and ionizer installation depends on duct cleaning first. Chief Hoyt sent new building inspector quote and contact information for vendor. UV HVAC scrubber upgrade that town is considering needs HEPA filters to be effective.

No results have been provided from results of test pits dug for structural engineer for potential 2nd floor addition.

2021 budget- Salary and OT savings at \$85,211. Anticipated funds returned to town is +/--\$120,000.

Upcoming Meetings: February 2, 2021 meeting conflicts with Budget Committee public hearing. Board agreed to start meeting at 1700 instead of 1730. Board approved dates and times of annual meeting notice.

2022 Budget- Status quo budget increase of \$15,654 over 2021 budget. Union contract 1st year cost is +/--\$185,000, remaining for years at approximately \$40,000 each year.

New Business:

Encumbrances- Department successfully encumbered funds for pickup truck that has been ordered but not received yet. Department was unsuccessful in encumbering funds from the 2021 budget to purchase 2022 pickup truck to replace 2011 Chevy Suburban.

Training: Three Lieutenants are enrolled in Fire Officer II classes. Lieutenant March is attending NFPA Fire Plans review class.

Permit Fees: Building Inspector Paquin is currently reviewing permit fees for the town including the fire department. Paquin will attend future BOFE meeting to suggest changes with the board.

Ambulance Billing: Engineer Hebert made a motion to allow department to balance bill all patients transported by the department. Engineer Fabrizio seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Roll call vote. Hebert- Yes. Klanchesser-Yes. Fabrizio –Yes.

Purchase Orders & Payroll: Signed.

Blanket Purchase Orders: Signed.

Good to The Order: Department received a thank you letter from Board of Selectmen for participation in town wide holiday festivities.

Non Public: Motion to Enter Non Public Session at 1756 hours made by Chairman Klanchesser, seconded by Engineer Fabrizio. RSA 91-A:3, II(A) Compensation, dismissal, disciplining. Motion carried 3-0. Roll call vote. Hebert- Yes. Klanchesser-Yes. Fabrizio –Yes.

Chairman Klanchesser made a motion to leave Non Public Session at 1815 hours and seal minutes. Engineer Fabrizio seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Roll call vote. Hebert- Yes. Klanchesser-Yes. Fabrizio-Yes.

Decisions made.

Engineer Klanchesser made a motion to accept the signed and voted Union Contract for Local 4104 as written. Engineer Hebert seconded. Motion carried 3-0 Roll call vote. Hebert- Yes. Klanchesser-Yes. Fabrizio –Yes.

The Board Voted to adjourn at 1815 Motion by Chairman Klanchesser. Second by Engineer Fabrizio. 3-0. Roll call vote. Hebert- Yes. Klanchesser-Yes. Fabrizio-Yes.