

Town of Suffield



Minutes of the Fire Commission Special Meeting August 19, 2014

Chair Phil Barrett, brought the meeting to order at the main firehouse at 7:25 p.m.
Present: P. Barrett, G. Bland, R. Gemme and Chief Charles Flynn.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Correspondence

Chief Flynn shared a letter from Michael Trick, Chief of Avon Volunteer Fire Department Association, thanking the department for their assistance with a basement fire in Avon on July 14.

Public Comment

None

Calls & Activities

The Committee reviewed the report for the month of July 2014.

Commissioner Christian arrived at 7:30 p.m.

Personnel

Chief Flynn introduced Joe Frare, who has applied as a probationary firefighter. Gemme moved, Bland seconded **to accept the application of Joe Frare**. The motion passed unanimously.

Secretary's Report

Bland moved, Gemme seconded to approve the minutes of the July 8th and July 15th, 2014 meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Reports

Bland moved, Gemme seconded to approve the Financial Report for July 2014. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

- Mission Statement - tabled

- UTVB/Kubota donation. Chief Flynn requested that the Commission approve spending \$12,500 from the Donation account to equip the recently donated UTV and to assist in upgrading the trailer. Discussion followed on whether adding the 75 gallon pump to the UTV is needed. Commissioner Christian asked to table this item until all Commission members are present. Bland moved, Gemme seconded **not to table this item and to appropriate \$12,500 from the Donation account to equip the donated UTV as needed.** The motion passed 3-1 (Christian against).

New Business

- A request was received from Joanne Sullivan asking if the Citizens for Congamond could place meeting notices at the Ebbs Corner Fire Station. Chief Flynn will forward that request to the First Selectman.

Vehicles, Facilities, Equipment

- The new pickup has arrived and will be housed at Station 1.

Fire Marshall

None

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald Bland
Secretary