

# TOWN OF SUFFIELD



## FIRE DEPARTMENT

Minutes of the Fire Commission Meeting – May 20, 2013

Chair Phil Barrett brought the meeting to order at the main firehouse at 7:00 p.m. Present: P. Barrett, R. Gemme, J. Mahoney, R. Quagliaroli, G. Bland, Chief Flynn and observers.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Secretary's Report**

Mahoney moved, Bland seconded to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2013 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Financial Reports**

The Commission reviewed the financial statements through April 30. Bland moved, Gemme seconded to accept the financial statement for April 2013.

### **Correspondence**

None

### **Public Comment**

Firefighter Bob Hespelt spoke on behalf of the firefighters and requested that the Commission consider funding new dress uniforms for active members from the Donation Account. The price would be approximately \$22,000. This request was rejected by the town and the Firefighters' Association. Commissioner Quagliaroli asked if this was a request for ACCE. The Commission agreed to continue discussion at the next meeting in June.

### **Activities Report**

- The Commission reviewed report for April 2013. The Chief gave a brief report on the recent house fire on Mapleton Avenue.

### **Old Business**

- The 2013/14 budget was approved at the Town Meeting on May 8.

### **New Business**

- Tower Replacement – tabled to June meeting.

### **Vehicles, Facilities, Equipment**

- The tower truck's back up alarm and warning lights are not working. Truck is off line and in for repair.
- We expect deliver of the new engine tanker in mid-June.

- The Selectman's Office has given permission for the old Chief's vehicle to be used for training with the Hurst tool.
- New Chief's vehicle has arrived and is in use. Radio needs work and one more set of lights needs to be installed.
- New replacement doors are on order.
- The Town has removed some trees from the back parking lot per the request of Suffield Hardware.

**Fire Marshal Report**

None

**Personnel**

- Chief Flynn reported that there are two new applications pending. More information will be available at the next Commission meeting.
- One paid member continues to be out on medical leave .

**Adjournment**

Quagliaroli moved, Mahoney seconded adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald Bland  
Secretary