



ANDOVER FIRE COMMISSION
11 SCHOOL ROAD
ANDOVER CT 06232

February 6, 2017 Meeting

In Attendance: W. Barton, G. Wright, M. Williams, S. Yeomans, C. Dowling
Guests: R. Mike, Jr.

- 1 Call Meeting to Order: 7:00p.m.
- 2 Quorum: YES
- 3 Pledge of Allegiance: DONE
- 4 Additions / Deletions to Agenda: NONE
- 5 Correspondence: **A) Letter on Water Test** – Tester advised that a “tap” needs to be put on the system before the Water enters the tank. This tap cannot be threaded – they do not want a hose to be able to be attached. Chief Mike will contact a plumber and will advise cost. Also in the Testers review - they would like to know what “guard rails” will be put around the well for its protection. This will also be looked into.
- 6 Approval of January 12, 2017 Minutes: Item 8B Change Pressor TO Presser
Motion to Accept the January 12, 2017 minutes as corrected. Motioned by G. Wright 2nd by M. Williams
APPROVED BY ALL
- 7 Finance Report: **A) Treasurers Report** - \$40,582.73 is in the Check Book
Cost Recovery has been processed. Oil was also delivered this past month
Motioned to Accept the Treasurers Report as presented. Motioned by C. Dowling 2nd by M. Williams
APPROVED BY ALL
- 8 Building and Grounds: **A) Overhead Doors** – New Door openers have been installed.
Lenco did electrical work in Quarter Masters Room.
- 9 Apparatus: Everything is OK. **Chief discussed “Tower” with the Selectmen** – Selling it and putting the money in to a “Fire Engine Fund” since the truck was bought with donated money. Need Bids and would rather see if any other Fire Service could use it instead of just putting out Request for Bid and get “Tree Service” Companies bidding on it and selling it for less money.

Commissioner Dowling advised that talking to Finance Board Chair – Dan Warren – that there are still “funds” available that we were told were depleted. One is the Fire Truck Fund. We should request that the town start funding them again. After discussion it was agreed that they need to either Fund or Not Fund, but decide on one or the other.

Dowling also told the other Commissioners that there is a new “leasing” group called **HGHC Leasing**. Many towns and cities are using them to buy items. Purchasing items through them at a big savings – things like fire trucks you might want might have been quoted by another town and other than a few of your own requested added on you could get a fire truck cheaper than doing it all yourself through the same builder.

- 10 Chiefs Report: FYI – Chief spend many hours processing paperwork via phone – then was advised it needed to be via hard copy - for 10 Fire Fighters who were exposed to TB.
Chief advised there were 45 Emergency Calls for the Month of January.

SPENDING REQUEST

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>REQUEST FOR</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>
1	Reimbursement to Martin Geoghegan for concrete blocks	\$ 52.21	301
2	Hose and Ladder Testing to be done around May 2017	\$2,287.50	881

Motion to spend \$2,339.71 for the above two (2) items. Motioned by M. Williams 2nd by S. Yeomans

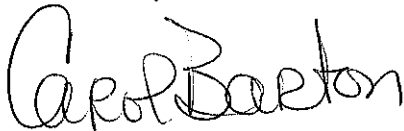
APPROVED BY ALL

- 11 Old Business: **A) CIP** – Commission Chairman Barton is working with CIP Chair – Dan Warren – to process the request for converting the current oil furnace to propane. Dan advised that the Town Crew could pull the oil tank since no license is required and they could work to get the oil recycled and fill and pave the parking lot. We might have to get a diesel tank to handle the fuel for the generator.
There is also a possibility that this conversion request might not happen for 2017-2018 budget year and would have to be into the 2018-2019 CIP request.

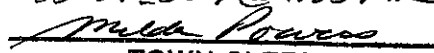
B) Services and Maintenance Contracts – Some discussion has happened about the town and other departments combining services for Lawn Care and Janitorial Services. More discussion needs to happen and bids would need to be processed.

- 12 New Business: NONE
- 13 Liaison Report: NONE PRESENT - AGAIN
- 14 Other Business: NONE
- 15 Items for Future Agendas: Services and Maintenance Contracts, CIP, Tower
- 16 Public Comment: NONE PRESENT
- 17 Adjournment: **Motion to adjourn at 7:35p.m.**
Motioned by M. Williams 2nd by G. Wright APPROVED BY ALL

Submitted by



Carol Barton
Clerk

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ASST. TOWN CLERK

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