



ANDOVER FIRE COMMISSION
11 SCHOOL ROAD
ANDOVER CT 06232

April 1, 2019 Meeting

THESE MINUTES ARE UNAPPROVED UNTIL ACCEPTED / APPROVED BY THE FIRE COMMISSIONERS

In Attendance: W. Barton, S. Yeomans, C. Dowling, G. Wright

Absent from Meeting: M. Williams

Guests: R. Mike, Jr. Chief, Chris O'Brien, Asst. Chief

- 1 Call Meeting to Order: 7:00p.m.
- 2 Quorum: YES
- 3 Pledge of Allegiance: DONE
- 4 Additions / Deletions to Agenda: Move Item 11A, B, C to Item 4A, B and C
Add Item 12A – Chg. May Meeting Date

4A) Motion to rescind action on Officers Stipends and EMS from March Meeting – After receiving and discussing the correspondence, noted in Item 5, from Chief Mike a motion to Rescind the March 4, 2019 motion was presented.

Motion to Rescind the March 4, 2019 Motion to add Chief Mikes Proposal to pay (compensate) Officers and EMS personnel to the Fire Commission's 2019-2020 Budget.

Motioned by S. Yeomans 2nd by G. Wright APPROVED BY Barton, Yeomans, Wright
Abstained by Dowling

4B) Recording of Votes Taken on Motions – After discussion it was decided that unless a vote on a motion was UNANIMOUS then the Clerk will record the names of how Commissioners Voted. A motion was presented as follows:

Motion to put names down on all votes unless the vote is unanimous (approved by all)

Motioned by S. Yeomans 2nd by C. Dowling APPROVED BY Barton, Dowling, Yeomans, Wright
Commissioner Williams was absent for vote

4C) Commissioners Right to Vote on Motions – After discussion it was decided that this NO Action will be taken on this issue.

5 Correspondence: Letter from Chief Mike – withdrawing proposal for Officers and Transport crew reimbursement.

6 Approval of March 4, 2019 Meeting: **Change** Item 11A on #2 2023-2034 **TO** 2023-2024
Change Item 12 Motion to Read 4 Voted YES 1 Voted NO
Instead of 4 Approved 1 Abstained

Motion to approve the March 4, 2019 minutes as Corrected.

Motioned by S. Yeomans 2nd by G. Wright APPROVED BY ALL

7 Financial Report: **A) Treasurers Report** - \$19,297.19 in Check Book
Treasurer has requested the next Quarterly Installment Check.

Motion to accept Treasurers Report as presented.

Motioned by C. Dowling 2nd by G. Williams APPROVE BY ALL

- 8 Building and Grounds: **A) Propane Usage** – Still spending too much –Chairman to now contact company to have them come out and check out system.

Sears and Son is ready to start on Spring Clean-up of the lawn, but Commissioners have not received a new contract to discuss pricing. Until that is received, nothing can be done.

Chairman ask the Chief to check with Sears and Son on **pricing to put loam/fertilizer and seed** on areas that need grass seed. No sense putting seed down without making area healthier to accept the seed. Chief will advise

Commissioner Dowling provided an FYI to Commissioners. After the May Elections – Come July 1st there may be changes to whether or not “outside contractors” will be doing outside work on Town property. [example: mowing lawns]

- 9 Apparatus: Everything is GOOD

- 10 Chief's Report: 27 Calls in March.
Hose Testing to be done in May.

SPENDING REQUESTS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DISCRIPTION</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>
1	10each 5 gallon containers of Foam	\$1,500.00	505
2	Fit Testing Completed	\$ 321.00	881
		TOTAL \$1,821.00	

Motion to spend \$1,821.00 on the above two (2) items.

Motioned by C. Dowling 2nd by G. Wright APPROVED BY ALL

- 11 Old Business: Items A, B, and C have been moved to Item 4A, B and C
D) CIP – Still waiting update on Tanker approval.

Finance Board and Selectmen have been questioning Fire Commissioners about the **Ambulance Billing Fund**. Fire Commissioners advised Finance Board and Selectmen that the Fire Commission do not have “power” over the Ambulance and/or Ambulance Billing. The Ambulance and/or Ambulance Billing belongs to the Fire Dept. Corporation. They have the license for the ambulance and control on billing patients that use the ambulance, not the Fire Commissioners.

E) 2019-2010 Budget – There were no questions asked once Commissioner Chair explained dollar amounts for Accounts on Budget

- 12 New Business: **A) May Meeting Date** – Since the Town Elections is scheduled on Monday, May 6th which is also the same date for the Fire Commission meeting and the Chairman is also a Registrar who need to be at the Election – he is asking to change the May meeting date to one of the following dates: **Wednesday May 8, Thursday May 9 or Monday May 13th**.
After discussion a motion was presented.

Motion to change Fire Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, May 6, 2019 to Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 7p.m. due to Town Election and Chairman's availability.

Motioned by W. Barton 2nd by C. Dowling APPROVED BY ALL

- 13 Items for Future Agendas: NORMAL ISSUES

- 14 Public Comment: NONE

- 15 Adjournment: **Motion to adjourn at 7:45p.m.**
Motioned by S. Yeomans 2nd by C. Dowling APPROVED BY ALL

Submitted by

Carol Barton
Clerk

RECEIVED FOR RECORD

4-2-2019 @ 1:10 PM

Therese Jarry

ATTN: TOWN CLERK