

**West Ossipee Fire Precinct
Commissioners Meeting
November 17, 2014**

Commissioners Present: Greg Howard, Stanley Brothers, Paula Moore

Recorded by: Xann Horn – Precinct Commissioners' Secretary

Call to Order: Moore called the meeting to order 6:10 p.m.

1. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion: by Moore, seconded by Brothers, to review and approve public meeting minutes of November 3, 2014. **All in favor, motion passed.**

2. Purchase Orders - None

3. Review and Approval of Manifests

Motion: by Moore, seconded by Brothers, to approve a payables manifest totaling \$4,519.54 dated November 17, 2014. **All in favor, motion passed.**

Motion: by Moore, seconded by Brothers, to approve a payroll manifest totaling \$166.00 dated November 17, 2014 to correct a mistake in Mike Oktavec's paycheck in last payroll run. **All in favor, motion passed.**

4. Treasurer's Report – Treasurer reported an estimated balance available of \$74,887.93 after above payables and payroll.

5. Mail – None.

6. Old Business

A. Zions Equipment Lease Prepayment

Motion: by Moore, seconded by Brothers, to send a letter to Zion's bank to request that the bonds men allow the Precinct to make a \$24,910 payment in January of 2015 as a pre-payment toward the principal on the equipment lease. This is to execute the intended prepayment in December of 2012 and December of 2013 of which was paid to Zions but was held and not applied, ultimately returned to the Precinct. **All in favor, motion passed.**

B. Financial Audit 2013 – Howard quickly reviewed the draft audit received from Plodzik & Sanderson. He will contact them for more information on the deficiencies in order to have them cleared up for final audit report.

C. Central Station – Carl Hanson will provide the Commissioners with an estimate for Central Station renovations at the next commissioners' meeting.

D. Snow/Ice Removal Bid – One bid was received and opened for snow and ice removal for Central and Jewell Hill stations. Jon Cyr & Son Excavation submitted a bid of \$4,870 for three years.

Motion: by Howard, seconded by Moore, to accept the bid as presented.
All in favor, motion passed.

Huddleston will contact Jon Cyr.

E. Jewell Hill Station Repairs – Howard stated that he will contact Plodzik & Sanderson to determine the proper way to handle the excess funds that we received from the Insurance Company regarding the claim for damages sustained at the Jewell Hill Station this past winter.

7. New Business

Ambulance Contact - Huddleston met with the Selectmen and reviewed the Ambulance Contract proposals. Out of eight companies contacted, only 3 responded: Care Plus, American Ambulance, and Stuart's Ambulance. Stuart's stated they are not equipped to bid but would still act as a backup. American Ambulance provided a bid for the Town of Ossipee of \$544,000 for first year and it then increased from there. Care Plus provided five options and broke each option down by Town. The option the Fire Chiefs and Selectmen have agreed upon is to have two 24-hour a day/seven days a week intermediate trucks, one 10 hour basic truck seven days a week, and one basic on-call for 14- hours a day, in addition to a non- staffed ambulance to be available if needed. West Ossipee's portion for these services will be \$318,564 for the first year. It steps down for the second year, and then up for third year, and the fourth, fifth, and sixth year will be at a rate of \$271,284. This proposal is based on the assumption that the other six towns will all come on board with this plan. The Selectmen will meet on Thursday with the other towns to finalize the agreement. Our current contract is for \$562,000 per year.

8. Public Comments – None.

9. Adjournment

Motion: by Moore, seconded by Brothers, to adjourn. **All in favor, motion passed.**

The Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Approved on 12/1/14

Commissioner Paula Moore

Commissioner Gregory W. Howard

Commissioner Stanley N. Brothers