

West Ossipee Fire Precinct
Jewell Hill Fire Station, West Ossipee, NH
2018 Annual Meeting
Saturday, March 10, 2018

Commissioners Present: Gregory W. Howard, Paula Moore, Stanley Brothers
Moderator: Bob Pustell
Minutes Taken By: DorisAnn Allenson, Precinct Clerk
Xann Horn, Precinct Secretary

13 registered voters were in attendance.

Moderator Bob Pustell called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and explained the meeting procedures; and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Non-residents cannot legally speak at the Annual Meeting; therefore,

Motion: by Stanley Brothers, seconded by Steve Moore, to allow Chief Carl Huddleston to speak as a part of the Annual Meeting, even though he is not a precinct resident. **All in favor, motion carried.**

Article I

Motion: by Howard, seconded by Moore, to move Article I to after article IV. **All in favor, motion carried.**

To elect all necessary precinct officers for the ensuing year as follows:

One Commissioner for a term of three (3) years;

One Clerk for a term of one (1) year.

One Treasurer for a term of one (1) year.

One Moderator for a term of one (1) year.

All have officers have agreed to continue with their current positions; there were no motions from the floor for anyone to run in opposition to the current officers. Eileen Roberts, Treasurer, noted she has submitted her resignation as Treasurer but will continue the duties until the Precinct finds a replacement.

Motion: by Steve Moore, seconded by Paula Moore, to elect as officials as filled. **All in favor, motion carried.**

Article II

To see if the precinct will vote to authorize the commissioner's to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of Two Hundred And Sixty-Five Thousand (\$265,000) dollars payable over a term of three (3) years for a Mini Pumper, and further to raise and appropriate One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) dollars for the down payment on the pumper with this sum to come from the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for that purpose. This article does not contain an escape clause. (2/3 ballot vote required)

Motion: by Steve Moore, Seconded by Stanley Brothers, to accept Article II as written and vote. **By ballot vote Article II was unanimously approved; motion carried.**

Article III

To see if the precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty-Three Thousand and Six Hundred and three (\$353,603.00) dollars for general precinct operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required)

Executive	\$13,150.00
Financial Administration	\$7,000.00
Legal	\$1,000.00
Government Buildings	\$31,500.00
Insurance	\$29,600.00
Fire	\$221,300.00
Street Lighting	\$600.00
Principal- Long Term Bond	\$45,000.00
Interest- Long Term Bond	\$4,453.00

Howard noted the Precinct showed a 0.1% increase this year over last year. Bob Pustell spoke as a long term resident and citizen, and thanked everyone for bringing this department into a much tidier and well run organization.

Motion: by Steve Moore, seconded by Gail Howard, to accept Article II as written.
All in favor, motion carried.

Article IV

To see if the precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand (\$20,000.00) for the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing vehicles and other firefighting and rescue equipment. (Majority vote required)

Motion: by Stanley Brothers, seconded by Steve Moore, to approve Article IV as written. **All in favor, motion carried.**

(returned to Article I for discussion and vote)

Article V

To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Bub Pustell recognized fire fighters present from other precincts as they all are a vital part of our community and he thanked them for what they do. Commissioner Howard, reminded everyone that West Ossipee Fire Precinct Commissioners Meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m, at Central Station. The Commissioners are more than willing to listen to precinct residents on any issues and answer any questions they may have.

Adjournment


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

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.



Gregory W. Howard, Chairman
Precinct Commissioner

Paula Moore, Precinct Commissioner



Stanley Brothers, Precinct Commissioner