## Deep River Board of Fire Commissioners

57 Union Street • Deep River, CT 06417

Jan. 4, 2022

The January 3, 2022 meeting began at 7:00 with Budney, Tim Lee, Berardis, Kerop, and David in attendance. Resident Gary Clark attended also.

Minutes of the December 6, 2021 were accepted as written. Moved by Lee, 2<sup>nd</sup> Berardis. Unan.

Financial Statement were not available because the holiday was being celebrated by Town Hall employees on 1/3/2022., but most will be normal.

Chief reports the Christmas Party at the Red House went well.

There was a discussion concerning property behind Winthrop Station being turned over to the Fire Department/Town of Deep River.

Last month a call was received by Christine Palm, and she offered help in writing grants for the Department for apparatus. There was a quick meeting the following day and found the dead line to submit paperwork for that grant was extended to 1/21/22.

They will also be looking to file paperwork for an SBCA grant.

There was no Deputy's report.

There was no Engineer's report.
Fire Marshal's Activity report was discussed.

Chairman had no report.

Under Old Business Lee stated he has not heard from the roofers yet.

Work with the Needs Assessment has started, but they do not know when results or recommendations will be available.

Budney asked about obtaining a cleaning service to clean the fire House. After discussion, it was decided to wait and see if they will be getting a new/bigger building, and then decide if that service would be needed.

The budget and Five Year Capital Plans were discussed and tweaked. Kerop asked if the necessary software was included in the budget. This software can be used by different Agencies were appropriate. This should also be explained to the Town why that line needs an increased adjustment.

There was also a discussion about having money put aside for a new truck in the near future, and the cost. The DRFD, Inc. will be contributing money to this purchase. This will reduce the cost to the Town. Lee will rewrite that line to clearly reflect the

Departments contribution before being submitted. He is also waiting for a quote for the garage door at Winthrop Station.

David will ask the Selectman how the ARPA funds will work if grants are received for some of the stated work.

Under Other Business, Budney inquired about information on a grant to update the radios'. Lee said he had no word on that yet.

This meeting adjourned at 7:55. Moved by Berardis, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Lee. Unan.

Respectfully Submitted,