

# Deep River Board of Fire Commissioners

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April 6, 2021

The April 5, 2021 meeting was as a Zoom meeting. It was attended by David, Budney, Kerop, Tim Lee, Tom Lee, and Berardis. Dube was absent.  
The meeting came to order at 7:04 PM.

Minutes of the March 1, 2021 were accepted as written. Moved by Berardis, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lee.

Financial Statement were addressed. Some bills that were submitted have no shown up on the report. Budney will look into this. Vehicle Maintenance has gone over.

The Chief stated that in person training has started, as well as some zoom meetings. Juniors will be starting in person training as well.

There was a good turnover of firemen from many companies during the mutual aid call to Chester.

The Lime Sale is in two weeks.

Deputy said the interior of Winthrop Station looks real good, but when there is a heavy rain, some water gets into the building. He had an estimate of \$600.00 to correct this problem. The commission gave its approval and the Deputy will have the work done.

Engineer said it has been quiet. The Chief' car went out for repair.

The Fire Marshal reports 14 calls last month. His Activity Report was reviewed. Inspections are getting busier.

Chairman said McDonald is working on having the truck in the budget.

Board of Finance questioned why the cost of an Air Compressor went from \$45,000 to \$75,000. They have pulled that item out of the budget.

Lee asked if that was the only item to be removed from the budget. David said, yes.

Fire House renovations are still in progress.

Town thought the Assessment Needs has not gone through yet.

There was a discussion on property behind Winthrop Station to use for parking and other things. This may still be in the works with the property owner. It is still unclear if this would be considered Town of Department property.

The Commission will try to meet at the Fire House in May. There will still be a call in number for people to join the meeting virtually.

There may be a banquet in the fall.

Fountain Hill will be digging out an abandoned water hole to install a fountain.

Tom Lee said that the Truck Committee finalized there specs, and they went out to bid.

Quotes are due back by 4/28/21. They will then be reviewed by the Truck Committee, then he will let the Commission know which quote the want to go with. David will also ask the Town how this process should be done.

Under Other Business, Chief asked to find out if the Department and Commission be represented with the Needs Assessment. David said the he would make sure both of these organizations would be represented.

Berardis asked to have a copy of the specs for the new truck to be forwarded to him.

Under Old business Kerop said Rich Smith has completed and received his certificate. He wanted to know if he could have Smith sworn in as Deputy Fire Marshal. The Commission was in favor of this. Unan.

This meeting adjourned at 7:35. Moved by Lee, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Berardis. Unan.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Elizabeth Simmons". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the word "Clerk".

Clerk