

Deep River Board of Fire Commissioners

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June 2 2020

The June 1, 2020 meeting was as a Zoom meeting. It was attended by Budney, Kerop, Tim Lee, Tom Lee, and Bowden. Dube did not connect with this meeting.

The June 1, 2020 Deep River Fire Commission meeting began at 7:05. The minutes of the May 4, 2020 meeting were accepted as written. Moved by Lee, 2nd David. Unan.

Financial Statement were discussed. Budney was unable to see a hard copy of this report.

He said what he did see, looked good.

No bill on the front end of 3 had been received yet. Tom Lee said Operating Expenses looked good, due to less training being done.

Pete Waz is looking at waterholes. Can the money be rolled over and used with money from next year's budget? Someone will look into that.

What will happen to the Banquet money if it's not used? Budney thinks it could be evaporated. Bowden suggested that have a quick lobster bake before July 1, 2020, in order to hold on to the money. Or maybe the Town could reimburse the Department for the funds.

The Chief reports they have had a good response to the drive by birthday parades they have been doing, and still have more requests for them.

The Cadets cannot go to the Academy this year.

The Deputy reports the waterhole on Kelsey Hill has been repaired. The one at Shailer Farms is broke. He wants to use waterhole money from this years and next year's budget to maintain the waterholes.

They will be applying for the Forestry grant.

They are switching to Comcast for internet.

Engineer reports a significant month for expenses, and bills from Shipman's and radio repairs are not in yet. Vehicle Maintenance is already over budget.

He will also ask for hard copies of bills for if anyone questions the repairs. Annual certification on the Aerial truck id due next week.

Budney asked of the outcome of radios at Winthrop Station. Tom Lee said Winthrop Station was done, but Headquarters was not. 5 5 3 was a big expense.

There was a snag with the radios and the radios have been sent to Motorola.

The Fire Marshal said there were 14 calls last month. He is still doing Inspections.

The Chairman reports he has been talking about the 3rd party revue on the Fire Department, but has not gotten into the financial aspects of it yet. Kerop will help for a while. Bowden asked him if he could provide an outline of what to expect with this process.

A grant will be sent for SCBAs, but there is also money in the budget for them.

RFP for the washer/dryer need to go through Jane Marsh now.

The Selectman asked to meet with the Chairman and the Chief.

Under Other Business, the 20-21 budget was discussed. There were some questions on how totals were achieved, and the Fire Marshal stated he only received a fraction of what he requested. Bowden will ask about these when he has his meeting with the Selectman. Budney said the first online training session went well.

In Old Business, the roof at Headquarter has additional issues. The leaks seem to have started in the back corner, and have expanded to the center of the building.

Tom Lee reports the Truck Committee is still operating. They are continuing to go forward, slowly, and may need to do some adjustments, depending on how much time it takes.

This meeting adjourned at 8:16. Moved by David, 2nd, Budney. Unan.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Elizabeth Simmons".

Clerk