Commissioners:  Terry French, John Bagley, Tim Lewis
Fire Chief:  David Coursey
Clerk:  Diana Kindell

Chairman Terry French opened the meeting at 7:05 pm.

Minutes of January 12, 2015 were approved as written.  John Bagley did inquire as to the status of the non-profit request for the Association.  It has been received.

The budget changes made from the Public Hearing were discussed.  Primarily only one dry hydrant upgrade will be included in the warrant article and SCBA bottles (not sets) will be purchased this year.

John had researched payroll information for the Chief and shared his findings with the Commissioners-pay, retirement options, etc. for both call and volunteer departments.

The utility truck is at Walt’s having body work and painting completed.  Carl and Nick will be going to Fairfield’s to pick up the skid unit (truck bed) this week end.

In July the Fire Department will be presenting long-term purchases for the Capital Improvement Plan update to the Planning Board.  Dollar amounts will be worked up for the following items:

1. Truck replacement – Garth Brooks of E-One will be in Thursday evening to review truck specs and pricing for a replacement unit.  In seven (7) years E2 will be illegal according to NFPA standards without passing yearly recertification.  These can be done; however, if the truck fails any inspection, it is out of service until all issues are resolved.  This would leave the department short a unit.

Garth will also be reviewing the pricing of a tank unit for the utility truck.  That must be ordered at least six (6) weeks prior to the installation time.

2. Addition to fire station to house utility truck

3. Paving in front of the bay doors

4. Replacement of fluorescent lighting in station

5. Replacing SCBA complete sets
The Department Bylaws voted in at the Town Meeting last year become effective this March. The Chief would like to have the Commissioners more involved in the department – more so with contracts, finances and working with the Board of Selectmen. A document signed by the BOS at that time and the Commissioners from several years back was reviewed. It will be updated and presented to the current BOS.

Dan Plummer will start the rest of the cabinet replacement in the kitchen this week. The Ladies Auxillary is financing this project.

Terry questioned the status of EMS and fears something will happen with no one responding.

The Chief told the Commissioners of the change for fuel purchases and explained the process for obtaining fuel from the Yeaton Oil tanks on Route 3.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell
Clerk