

Rumney Fire Commissioners  
Special Meeting Minutes  
March 9, 2022

Present: Chairman Cam Brown, (by video) Terry French, Jim McCart  
Chief: Dave Coursey  
Secretary: Cathy Hacker  
Guests: Evan Hacker, Dan Medaglia, Nick Coursey

The meeting opened at 6pm.  
The minutes of last month's meeting were approved as written, by all.

The meeting opened with a discussion on the new truck, and the presentation at the town meeting.  
(Tomorrow night)  
Nick Hilton from Pierce Trucks is coming with specs on the proposed truck, and also is willing to speak if town people have any questions.

The next item up was the discussion of the election of Fire Chief and the vote that was taken Monday, the 7<sup>th</sup>, at the quarterly business meeting.

Chairman Brown opened the discussion by stating that due to flaws in the election process, the election was NOT certified by the Fire Commissioners.  
The use of a proxy is not mentioned in the bylaws, so therefore it shouldn't have been used.  
If in the future if proxy voting is something that the members want, then a bylaw committee should be formed, and take a look at that. The bylaws need to be looked at and this issue addressed. It effects members, so therefore members should have input.

Chairman Brown recommended that all eligible voting members convene and revote for Chief, as soon as possible.

Chairman Brown made a motion that there to be a By-law committee be formed for the purpose of reviewing the bylaws, updating them, and also to include the change of voting for new Fire Chief to be in March, instead of October (ev 3 years). He also added that the first Monday of March Business meeting, as being the date and vote for Chief from here on out, and wanted that documented.  
All those present agreed. Jim McCart approved, Terry French seconded motion.

Regarding THIS vote, Chairman Brown made a motion to reconvene eligible voting members, in person, for another vote for Chief.

Terry French seconded motion.

Next Monday, (March 14) a new vote for Chief would take place. A locked box would be at Station with Commissioners French and McCart present, from 6-8 pm. This vote would be for the SAME nominees as the last vote.

-In person vote must be cast to be considered a vote, in order to comply with bylaws currently written.

- Everyone that is on roster NOW (or has been absent but NOT received a letter of termination from the Chief), is eligible to vote.
- In keeping with past practice. ( Article 16) those that are still on probation, are not allowed to vote.
- Candidates can vote for themselves.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Chairman Brown, motion seconded by Commissioner Terry French.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Hacker