## RUMNEY FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES APRIL 11, 2018

Commissioners present: Cam Brown, Terry French and Tim Lewis

Fire Chief: David Coursey Secretary: Diana Kindell

Terry French opened the meeting at 7:00 pm. He then nominated Cam Brown to serve as Chairman for the coming year. Tim and Terry voted for Cam and he accepted this position.

Minutes: The minutes of March 12, 2018 were approved as written.

Bills were approved and signed. The Chief noted that during a work-night while checking vehicles a large pool of oil was on the floor under the tanker. A seal was leaking and this was immediately taken care of by Kirks. We do not have that bill at this time.

**EMS**: At 7:30 Dan Medaglia, as the new director of EMS, joined the meeting to discuss with the Commissioners his plans going forward this year. He would like fire and ems to work together instead of the "department separation" in the past. There will be meetings and discussions to work out many issues, but would like to merge as one unit in the future. Cam stated he appreciated this effort, he had the support of the Commissioners and stressed communication between all parties as the most important step. There would be a "chain of command" that had to be respected.

**Hydrants:** Chief Coursey took Bruce Barnard around to different sites where hydrants can be installed and/or replaced. Bruce is working with the State and hopes to have three (3) sites included in one permit which is good for five (5) years. Nate Myles has viewed the Buffalo Road location and is interested in doing the work.

**Contracts:** The Ellsworth contract for fire has been signed and returned to the town. The Commissioners were given a copy of the signed contract.

The Commissioners and Fire Chief have been asked to meet on May 7<sup>th</sup> with the Selectmen and the Groton Selectmen to discuss issues about the Groton contract. They will attend.

**Furnace:** The Chief would like to have the Facilities Committee research the best solution to the necessary furnace replacement. We have good information from FW Webb, but other options need to be looked into. Terry will speak to Jerry Thibodeau about who to contact and if they can do this.

**Fire position application**: The application has been updated. The Commissioners reviewed this and approved the changes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell Secretary