RUMNEY FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 9, 2018

Present: Cam Brown, Terry French

Chief: David Coursey Secretary: Diana Kindell

Chairman Cam Brown opened the meeting at 7:00 pm

Minutes were approved for September 9th and September 20th and bills were signed.

CIP: The Commissioners were unable to attend their scheduled meeting with the Planning Board and feel it is important they meet to discuss the department needs. The Chief will request Judi Hall to put them on the agenda for the October 30th PB meeting.

Vehicle issues: Engine 2 had an alternator problem and was down three days waiting for a replacement. Engine 3 was recertified with 1475 gpm pump test. Engine 2 barely passed as an impeller on the pump is going. It may need a rebuild within the year.

Dry hydrants: A notification was sent to DES (with the help of Don Winsor) regarding work being done on the Buffalo Road fire pond. Work will commence soon.

Furnace: A replacement furnace for the station has been awarded to Pemi River Fuels. It will be late October or early November before this unit will be available.

Budget: The 2019 budget was reviewed line by line. Increases in vehicle maintenance and protective clothing account for an increase over last year. All the trucks are aging with more repairs necessary – and costly. We have no extra protective clothing and will be purchasing more items individually to complete sets and be prepared to outfit a new member when necessary.

Warrant Articles: A warrant article will request \$35,000 for five (5) new MSA SCBA packs to outfit another truck with new packs. This year's price is being held through April for the department.

A mobile radio at a cost of \$5500 for the forestry/utility truck is being requested to give this truck the range needed from a larger wattage. (40 w to 100 w)

Confirm the Forest Fire Capital Reserve Fund is being funded at \$1000.

Make sure the Fire Department Equipment Fund is fully funded – not funded for the last two years.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell Secretary