

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS --- REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 12, 2015

PRESENT: Chairman Perter Cross, Dennis Sullivan, Ben Perry, Victor Skende, Demetrious Atsalis and Chief Harold Brunelle.

Chairman Cross called the meeting to order at 7pm.

1. MINUTES: On motions made by Sullivan and seconded by Skende, the minutes of the Workshop dated October 20, 2015 and the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 22, 2015 were accepted as printed.
2. CORRESPONDENCE: Cross distributed correspondence he had received from Peter Campbell. We will address his letter at our next regular meeting.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
4. STREET LIGHTS: Atsalis reported on the request for a street light on Blueberry Road. It was his finding that an additional street light was not needed. He will notify the resident who had requested the additional light. Atsalis has notified Siemens that the light adjacent to the Centerville Cleaners needs repair. He has also notified the Business Improvement District that the light will be repaired.
5. OLD BUSINESS: None
6. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a. Public Hearing: Chairman Cross opened the public hearing. Assessor Rudziak had not received notification from the Department of Revenue and that we would need to continue the hearing. It was agreed that the hearing be continued. Dennis Sullivan moved that we go out of the public hearing and reconvene on November 17th at 6pm.
 - b. Up-date on estimates for New Building: Kaestle Boos has submitted proposal for preparation of documents to be submitted to estimators for Opinion of Probable

Cost for the schematic design. Paul Griffin has received the packet and will seek a second estimate. We expect to receive estimates by the end of the month.

c. Payment In Lieu of Taxes: Atsalis and Deputy Chief Melanson have met with representatives of CCH and hope to move up the chain to Michael Lauf. No one has been able to explain how the Town of Falmouth obtained PILOT of 47 thousand dollars. Atsalis pointed out that the Deputy Chief provides training to the CCH staff without compensation to the district. Cross continues to communicate with Representative Mannal, Councilor Cullum and Representative Kulik's office about PILOT.

7. CHIEF'S REPORT: The Chief recognized FF David Webb and complimented all the personnel of the department for the great job they did with Operation Warm. He called Operation Warm a huge success.

On Monday November 23d at 5:30 pm, there will be a recognition ceremony for recently promoted personnel and new firefighters. Family and friends are invited. Refreshments will be served.

The department has received the 1st draft for the new aerial ladder. It is 160 pages.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Richard Sommers asked for clarification on the date we expect to receive cost estimates. Cross stated we would hope to have estimates for the December 10th regular meeting and that we anticipate a vote late winter or early spring.

David Webb (FF) thanked all of those present who had supported the firefighters' efforts. Four hundred coats have been ordered. The fire fighters have reached out to the Horace Mann School to identify additional students in need. Webb expects Channel 5 will cover ceremony.

John Julius asked for clarification of the date for receipt of the estimate. He also inquired about televised meetings. Cross stated the town hall was not available for our meetings as we are not an agency of the town and that the town government wanted to avoid confusion between village and town. Julius stated that he had received calls concerning the fire station plans. Atsalis suggested referring those calls to the fire department so that they could be documented and we could respond. Julius stated that it was in the interest of the district to be transparent with the taxpayers. Cross stated that it was the intent of the Commission to do so.

Mike Dalmau suggested the use of the Steamship meeting room in December if we anticipated a large turnout.

Bill Cronin wondered if the Town wanted to put distance between the town and the fire district would they continue to send out our tax bills.

Tony Pellitier asked who at town gave us the idea that we weren't welcomed. Skende offered that Thursday nights were out for our meetings in Town Hall due to scheduling issues. Cross stated that Channel 18 is not available to us for televising our meetings. We would have to use Channel 99 at Cape Cod Community Media Center. Brunelle reiterated that the Town government has always had a positive relationship with the Fire District.

Respectfully submitted,

Victor Skende