

**NEWINGTON FIRE & RESCUE
BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

Regular Monthly Meeting—January 2008

The regular monthly meeting of the Newington, NH Board of Fire Engineers was called to order January 9, 2008 at 1900 hrs by Chairman Wilbur Goins. Engineer Ruth Fletcher, Engineer Steve Sabine and Chief Roy Greenleaf attended. Department secretary Sarah McQuade was present to record the minutes.

Previous meeting:

Engineer Fletcher moved to accept the minutes of the prior month's meetings. Engineer Sabine seconded. Unanimous.

Chief's Report:

Engineer Sabine moved to accept the report as written. Engineer Fletcher seconded. Unanimous.

Old Business:

The 2007 budget overage was reviewed. It will be well within the limits prescribed by the Board of Selectmen.

The 2008 budget proposal was reviewed. Sarah McQuade went over a couple of memorandums that will accompany the budget package to the Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

The Board went over the proposed warrant articles. A considerable sum of money will be saved if we order all of the new SCBA units at once.

The Board reviewed the annual call volume report and the redistricting by Chief Greenleaf. There was some discussion of having the Fox Run Mall pay a fine for bark mulch fires. The Town has never formally adopted impact fees, so that is not a possibility at the present time.

The Board reviewed the old and new versions of the five year plan. There was a discussion of certain building maintenance issues, such as the asbestos tile in the kitchen and radio room that is breaking down and creating a health hazard for employees. Lieutenant Low brought up the need for a secure entry on the fire side of the building.

Dates for the meetings with the Selectmen (1/14) and the Budget Committee (1/23) were discussed.

The Board entered executive session under RSA 91 A:3 II (b) at 2018 by unanimous vote and adjourned nonpublic at 2038. Minutes are sealed.

New Members:

Myrick Bunker's application for the call department was reviewed and accepted. Mr. Bunker is a former Porstmouth fire department who was on the Newington call department years ago.

Chief's Comments:

None.

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The Board of Fire Engineers settled a number of rumors at the request of department personnel. The search for an Assistant Chief is moving to the next phase and will be filled in February.

Meeting was adjourned by motion of Engineer Fletcher at 2059 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah McQuade