Town of Newington, NH Board of Fire Engineers Meeting Minutes November 1, 2017 at 1200 hrs

Meeting called to order by Chair Jim Fabrizio at 1210 hrs.

Present: BOFE Tim Field, BOFE Jim Fabrizio, Chief Andrew Head

<u>Public Comment:</u> no public present

Minutes: vote to accept minutes of October 4, 2017. Jim Fabrizio motion, Tim Field second, motion carried 2-0

<u>Chiefs Report:</u> vote to accept Chief's report for October as written. Jim Fabrizio motion, Tim Field second, motion carried 2-0.

Old Business:

2018 Budget — Chief Head informed the board that the proposed 2018 budget is a 1.62% increase over the 2017 budget. Health care costs were reduced by 6% as compared to 2017, and a 3% COLA was non-union employee compensation was budgeted. To be presented at the Budget Committee Meeting, January 10, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Chief Head informed the board that the that all department apparatus has been inspected. The ambulance had an engine issue that will be resolved with the replacement of a sensor.

New Business:

Revenue - 2017 Department revenue just exceeded \$152,000.

Tires for Ambulance - After a brief discussion, Tim Filed made a motion to purchase new tires for the ambulance. Jim Fabrizio seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Holiday expenses – Tim Field made a motion to authorize Chief Head to spend up to \$100 for Thanksgiving employee meals and up to \$300 for the Department Children's Christmas party (Dec. 17). Money to come out of the engineer's op budget line. Jim Fabrizio second. Motion 2-0.

The Board signed purchase orders.

Chief's Comments:

The department received a thank you note from a residence.

Chief Head reminded board that he will be on vacation November 10-15.

Executive Session:

Board entered Executive session at 1235 by motion of Jim Fabrizio. Tim Field second.

Board exited Executive session at 1245 by motion of Jim Fabrizio. Tim Field second.

Decision made. Jim Fabrizio made a motion to accept the employment contract for Chief Andrew Head as written. Tim Field second. Motion carried 2-0.

The Board Voted to adjourn at 1250 Motion by Jim Fabrizio Second by Tim Field vote taken 2-0