

NORTH WALPOLE VILLAGE DISTRICT
Minutes of the Board of Commissioners
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Date November 30, 2021

Commissioners: Patrick Kiniry, Melissa Colburn, Celeste Aumand

Attendees: Bill Crawford, Fire; Bob McGuirk, Water

Meeting called to order at 7:05 by Com Kiniry

Bob McGuirk is on vacation and not in attendance.

FIRE

Chief presented invoices totaling \$ 338.95 – Approved by motion from Ms. Aumand, Seconded by Mr. Kiniry, with all three in favor.

Chief presented an updated copy of the Department’s SOG’s, which he noted were approved by the Officers and Members. Ms. Aumand advised that they were not approved until after she had a chance to review them. Chief noted that the Fire department was responsible for establishing their SOG’s and not the Commissioners. If Ms. Aumand had any suggestions they would be happy to consider them, but the Commissioners were not responsible for the SOG’s.

Chief noted that the New Engine#2 continued to have problems. Currently they are having trouble starting the engine. It is still under warranty and will be taken care of. Mr. Kiniry noted that the warranty would end in May 2022, so any problems needed to be handled sooner rather than later.

WATER:

Mr. Kiniry noted receipt of an Email from NHDES questioning the use of unapproved sample sites for recent Lead & Copper tests. According to Mr. Kiniry, when Bob went to deliver bottles to gather the samples, people were not home, and he asked nearby neighbors. New sites must be approved by NHDES prior to being used.

Mr. Kiniry noted that on Friday, he and Bob laid out 350 feet of fire hose from GP wells for draining in preparation to redeveloping of the two wells.

They also flushed the new hydrant at the end of Willow Street.

MISC:

Ms. Aumand questioned Chief Crawford on the number of thermal imaging cameras the Department had currently. Chief replied, eight. Ms. Aumand said that at a previous meeting he had said six but was going to order two more. Ms. Aumand reminded him that at that time she suggested that he look into using grant money to purchase them. Chief noted that he had money in his budget and so he bought them.

Ms. Aumand advised that she would like the Commissioners to Pre-approve any purchases over \$500. Chief took exception to this, as he noted he had a budget and should be able to spend the monies available. He feels that Ms. Aumand is looking to micro-manage the department.

Mr. Kiniry noted that the \$100,000 budget was when there were 25 or more members and now there are only approximately 14. Chief noted that equipment is still needed.

Chief said he has a budget and does not feel he needs permission to purchase items that are in the budget.

Further discussion was tabled until next week's meeting.

Mr. Kiniry noted that the Clerk, is requesting \$699.99 to purchase a new Workforce C5790 printer as the current one is having problems and is ten years old. Motion by Mr. Kiniry, Seconded by Ms. Aumand to purchase the printer from EssCor Electronics in Claremont. All in favor.

Mr. Kiniry noted that the Tax Rate has been set; Walpole's rate is \$25.43 and North Walpole's rate is \$3.59.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Com Auburn, seconded by Com Colburn, with three in favor.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:02 PM.

**Respectfully Submitted,
William H. Moses**

Patrick Kiniry, Chair

Melissa Colburn

Celeste Aumand.

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