

## **Commissioners Meeting**

Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

976 Main Street, Freedom Hall, Cotuit, Massachusetts

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm

Commissioners present: Rick Pisano, Thomas Hadley, and Kevin Conley

Present: Fire Chief Christopher Olsen

Amy Kates recording

Reading of Agenda:

- Public Comment
  - Cynthia Gardner asked if public comment could delay to end of the meeting, Commissioner Pisano said was fine, though may be rushed as a meeting is schedule after this one.
  - Amy Kates inquired if Ms. Parks, and the Commissioner's received the open meeting law complaint from January 8<sup>th</sup>. Commission Conley received the complaint and he will forward it on. The district clerk has also received a copy.
- Motion
  - To approve December 13, 2016 meeting minutes
  - Approved without modification

Fire Chief report:

- Review of monthly activities
  - 29 rescue calls in December including 5 inspections, 12 fire reports
  - Commissioner Pisano asked for the breakdown of mutual aid calls
- Review the Comstar Report
- Review the budget and appropriation sheet
- Review personnel
- Review Apparatus
  - Update on repairs and service

New Business:

- Update on search for new Fire Chief
  - First draft of the advertisement expected in by end of week, anticipating advertisements posted during the second week of February
  - Ad will be circulating in selected press, professional journals, and websites. Expectation being that by early March have received applications, which then the Search Firm and Commissioners will review.

Old Business:

- **Draft** Budget FY18
  - Postpone addressing part about labor and salaries until go into executive session
  - Review of line item and appropriations
- Solar
- Dispatch
- Ambulance billing

Additional Public comment:

- Cynthia Gardner has concerns about how the executive session was posted, Commissioner Pisano responded that it is his understanding that the area of the budget that directly impacts on the ongoing contract negotiations is exempt from that.

Motion made to go into scheduled Executive Session, second, all in favor

Going into Executive Session, do not expect to return to open meeting

No public comment