

**Board of Firewards
Minutes of Meeting
Tuesday, March 26, 2018**

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The meeting took place at the Fire House. The minutes of the January meeting were accepted. In attendance were: Steve Ensign, Pete Lauridsen, Karen Hoglund, John Ryan, and Doug Lyon, Chief: Jason Lyon, and Clerk: Amy Lyon.

Items for Discussion: We've responded to 215 calls so far, and of those, 36 have been general alarms. There was an update on Town Meeting results for those who were unable to attend. The Spaghetti Supper was a success; about \$3,000 was raised. The money collected will help to offset the cost of a thermal imaging camera. The proceeds of a summer solicitation letter will be used to fund other needed items such as the rest of purchase cost of the thermal imaging camera, a 60 hp outboard engine for our inflatable rescue boat, and a new set of spreaders to replace our 30 year old set that we currently use. A question was asked regarding the number of times the rescue boat was used last summer, and Chief Lyon recalled several incidents including a drowning, a brush fire on Great Island, and several rescues, all of which took place on Lake Sunapee. That discussion led to the issue of obtaining easy, emergency access to that lake in particular, and the Chief has a launch site in mind off of 103A near Herrick Cove. He will speak to the property owner to see if NLFD could use that area for emergency purposes.

Election of Officers will take place during the April 9th meeting, and both Geoff Daley (Captain), and Peter Lewis (Deputy Chief) are willing to keep their positions. Doug made a motion that was seconded to nominate both for those respective positions. It passed and the company will ratify them in April.

Corey Bartlett did purchase his house in Newbury, will have been with NLFD for one year on April 17th. He has done a fine job and reports that he is very happy with his position. Chief Lyon will conduct another evaluation in the next month, which Steve will review and acknowledge on behalf of the Firewards.

Production for the new Engine/Tanker has not yet been started, however it should be put on the line soon and it has an expected delivery date of the end of May. The lead time on ordering and obtaining tools and equipment is usually 4-6 weeks. Chief Lyon met with members to make a list of necessary items we need to purchase to outfit the truck. We have \$20,000 at this point to do so.

John Ryan and Steve Ensign are both up for reelection of Board of Fireward positions, and should be approved for three-year terms by the Selectboard at the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Lyon, Clerk