## **Dunn's Corners Fire District**

1 Langworthy Road Westerly, RI 02891

## Minutes Operating Committee Meeting May 5, 2008

The Dunn's Corners Fire District Operating Committee (OC) convened on Monday, May 5, 2008, at 7:00 PM, at Station 1, 1 Langworthy Rd, Westerly, RI.

Attendees comprised of OC members John Merkel, Dan Schilke, Jonathan Schreier, Mike Frink, and Ken Martin. Richard Hosp was excused. Also in attendance was District Clerk Steve White. A quorum was present.

Actions of the OC (all votes unanimous unless otherwise noted):

- 1. Next Meeting: To be held on Monday, May 19, 2008, at 7:00 PM at Station #1.
- 2. <u>Minutes from April 28, 2008 Meeting:</u> Minutes of the March 24, 2008 meeting were approved.
- 3. <u>Future Topics List:</u> The committee added the Grange septic system to the list for further review.
- 4. <u>Chief's Position:</u> The committee was informed by John Merkel that Mike Frink has accepted the position of full time Fire Chief of the Dunn's Corners Fire District.
- 5. <u>Youth Protection:</u> Chief Martin informed the committee that the department is still in the process of developing a program to insure a harassment free environment for junior members.
- 6. <u>Chief Announcement:</u> Chief Martin and Tom Algiere will inform the department of the Chief Selection Committee's decision and review the selection process with the members.
- 7. <u>Chief Selection Committee:</u> The Operating Committee accepted the final minutes of the Chief Selection Committee, thanked its members for all their efforts and a job well done and then dissolved the committee.
- 8. <u>2007 Records Audit:</u> Dan Shilke has been unable to coordinate with the accountant used on previous audits for work to be done this year. The committee will be engaging a CPA firm to perform a full financial audit for 2008.
- 9. <u>Tax Assessors Meeting:</u> The committee will use the previously developed job description for the Tax Assessor as the basis for discussion between the committee and the assessor.
- 10. <u>Financial Plans and 2008 Budget:</u> The committee reviewed potential capital and operating expense outlays from 2008 through 2015. The major planned capital items impacting the budget over that time period include the purchase of a ladder truck, and the replacement of Engine 7. The extra ordinary items impacting the capital budgets

over that time period include a septic system replacement for the Grange and adding truck emission exhaust systems for both Station 1 and Station 2.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Steve White, District Clerk