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Commissioners Present: Joseph Goss, Paul Jay

Others Present: Chief Brad Eldridge and Mellisa Ferland

Minutes Taken By: Marilyn Bolduc

At 2:09pm, Commissioner J. Goss called the Non Public Session to order.

Mellisa Ferland, acting as a representative of the West Ossipee Firefighter's Association, asked for the Non Public session. She presented the breakdown of the association's expenses that they felt belonged to the precinct and/or to Chief Eldridge. The association wanted the commission to make a determination on this issue.

The commissioners made the following decisions:

1. They can not pay for sponsoring the Ossipee Valley Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament. The precinct can not sponsor charity events.

2. The motel expenses were for the fire chief when he attended a conference for fire chiefs.

This expense the precinct will pay for.

3. Expenditures for gasoline to help department members due to hardship problems would be paid by the precinct.

The precinct will pay \$1,440.43 of the disputed expenses and Chief Eldridge will pay for \$191.11. M. Ferland was instructed to write up the paperwork and put it in the Manifest for the next commissioner's meeting March 7th. A motion was made to pay the West Ossipee Firefighter's Association the sum of \$1,440.43; passed 2-0.

Chief Eldridge stated he would give M. Ferland a check covering his expenses after the meeting.

Chief Eldridge requested that his name be taken off of the precinct checking account to sign checks only.

The commissioners wants both the precinct and the West Ossipee Firefighter's Association to get rid of the debit cards and replace them with bank issued credit cards. With a credit card, statements are issued and can be reviewed. They also don't allow access to the precinct's account incase of theft or fraud.

Chief Eldridge stated he has requested a meeting with the association's board members.

The commissioners want a statement presented at the March 7th meeting stating that all the issues have been resolved and everyone is now ready to move forward from this incident.

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Commissioner Paul Jay

A motion to go back to Public Session was made at 2:30pm; passed 2-0

Minutes Approved 3/7/09
DATE

Commissioner Joseph Goss

Commissioner Henry Ela