SHAKER PINES FIRE DISTRICT # 5

The regular meeting of the Shaker Pines Fire District was held on Tuesday May 13, 2014 at the fire station.

Those present were President Raymond Aiken, Vice President Douglas Maxellon, Clerk Margaret Guyette, Commissioner Peter Burk, Commissioner Guy Beck, Treasurer Noella Gatten, and Fire Chief Charles Macsata.

President Aiken called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

MINUTES: The minutes for April, 2014 were read to the Board Members. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Douglas Maxellon and Guy Beck made a second to the motion and the motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Treasurer Noella Gatten submitted the treasurer’s report for April, 2014 to the Board Members. A motion to accept the treasurer’s report as corrected from previous months was made by Peter Burk and Margaret Guyette made a second to the motion and the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: We received an e-mail from the State of Connecticut testing our new automatic deposit system for grant monies. We need to verify that we have received the test deposit before the system is started. 
The clerk submitted the Annual Income and Expense Report to the Town of Enfield and the Chief verified that they have received it. The auditors, Viola, Chrabascz, Reynolds and Co, had the President and Treasurer sign the representation letter, dated January 15, 2014.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Fire Chief Charles Macsata submitted his report verbally.

FIRE MARSHAL REPORT: The Chief read the report and it was placed on file. We had 67 incidents and 2 inspections. There was 16 hours of training for Chief Macsata and 16 hours of training for Bill York. Plan reviews continue for Advanced Auto Hazmat room and sprinklers.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: We officially own the land on Taylor Road from the State of Connecticut. The Town recorded the deed on April 28, 2014. The Chief had the electricity changed to our name and the Chief’s Association will pay the billing. We had the property insured for General Liability coverage for a cost of $125.00. The Chief will look into a price for property coverage. Again the Chief’s Association will pay the costs.
OLD BUSINESS: The auditors are scheduled to update our Quick Books program this week to be consistent with their annual report. The Chief has contacted SAI in regards to the payments from the cell tower as requested by the auditors. SAI will put together a report of the income and forward it to us.

NEW BUSINESS: A taxpayer, Karen LaPlante requested that the minutes be posted to our web site. The Chief will work on getting the last several months of minutes on the web site.

The Town of Enfield is proposing a new method of charging for the dispatch center costs. It can either be by call volume or the grand list of each department. For our department, the cost by call volume would be $6,381.07 or by grand list of $9,563.75 for the 2014-2015 year. Currently each department pays $16,000 per year. We will need to discuss this in an Inter-Local meeting.

We received a fax from our medical insurance agent, BFP Associates that our dental insurance renewal of May 15, 2014 has no increase for this year.

Douglas Maxellon made a motion to go into executive session for personnel discussion and Peter Burk seconded the motion. No action was taken.

BILLS: the Board Members reviewed the bills. A motion was made by Peter Burk to pay the bills as submitted and Guy Beck made a second to the motion and the motion carried.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Douglas Maxellon and Peter Burk made a second to the motion and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Guyette
Clerk