



# POQUONNOCK BRIDGE FIRE DISTRICT

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## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes October 13, 2021

**Present:** President Ron Yuhas, Vice President Kevin Marquardt, Directors, Randy Ackley, Michael Caronia, Gale Goode, Al Luther, Clerk/Treasurer Susan Aguiar, Chief Tim Driscoll, and Jamie Muhlack

**Absent:** Ron Johnson, David King, and Fire Marshal Bednarz

At 7:10 p.m. President Yuhas announced the call to order with the time, date and place. Roll call was taken to establish a quorum. A moment of silence and a pledge to the flag followed.

Remarks from Visitors: n/a

### Approval of Meeting Minutes:

**MOTION:** It was MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED to accept the meeting minutes from September 9, 2021.

### Reports and Communications: –

Chief Driscoll's report was accepted for the record.

### Old Business – n/a

### New Business –

Discussion of paying Groton Open Space the taxes paid on the newly acquired land by the previous landowner (Watrous). As the district does not have an ordinance that states we must pay back prepaid taxes. The board needs to vote on this to resolve the issue. Randy Ackley made a motion not to pay back prepaid taxes to Groton Open space, Gale Goode 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, motion passed 6-0.

Chief Driscoll brought up a program for hiring new firefighters, it's a consortium that reviews all fire fighters and lists them, which would save the district time and money as we would be doing the same work that the consortium already does, and the district would still have the liability and risk. Chief Driscoll stated by joining the consortium we are able to use their lists and data for hiring new personnel which is always current, and it saves Chief Driscoll the time of making up a new hiring list and also takes the risk and liability off the district.

Susan Aguiar made a motion to join the consortium, Kevin Marquardt 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, motion passed 6-0

President Yuhas discussed that Chief Driscoll is in need of assistance and would like to hire a Deputy Chief to assist him. Per President Yuhas, he would like Dave King and Randy Ackley to do a pay study review and we will discuss and vote at the next meeting on hiring a Deputy Chief.

Good of the Department - Next month's meeting was changed from November 11, 2021, to November 10, 2021 due to the Veterans day holiday.

Presentation and payment of bills – President Yuhas announced that the bills to be paid for September 2021 of \$111,797.85 were accepted.

MOTION: At 7:39 PM it was MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED to adjourn.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Susan M. Aguiar, Clerk  
Poquonnock Bridge Fire District