

Lyman-Dayton Fire Commission (FC)
Minutes of Meeting – January 11, 2011

Meeting held at Dayton Town Hall was called to order at 6:30pm.

Present – Fire Commissioners: George Sutton, Jim Roberts, Ray Demers, Wendell Smith, Don Hernon; and GMFR Fire Chief Rodney Carpenter. Absent – Fire Commissioner Chris L'Heureux.

FC voted George Sutton as Chairman; Jim Roberts as Vice-Chairmen; Don Hernon as Secretary.

FC reviewed and approved shortened version of Municipal Fire Chief Advertisement to be placed in Sunday edition of four newspapers- Boston Globe; Maine Sunday Telegram; Lewiston Sun-Journal; New Hampshire Union Leader. Don Hernon will obtain quotes for the advertisements, which will be placed by Lyman Selectmen's Clerk after approval of advertisement/cost by Selectmen.

FC reviewed and approved Municipal Fire Chief Job Description, which will be placed on Lyman/Dayton/GMFR websites after approval by Selectmen.

George Sutton noted that he had received interest in applying for Municipal Fire Chief Job from CWO4 Roger Hooper USN who is retiring from the US Navy in June 2011.

FC discussed differences between current GMFR benefits and Lyman Town employee benefits, with particular note that payment of overtime after 40 hours (as current for Lyman employees) would be expensive since GMFR employees typically work a 52 hour shift. George Sutton will discuss the comparison of Lyman/GMFR benefits packages with Lyman Selectmen.

Staffing Issue - one full-time member of GMFR has been recalled to active military duty starting in March 2011. George Sutton will request Lyman Selectmen authority to hire another firefighter to maintain GMFR coverage. Chief Carpenter will first consider candidates from September 2010 list, but may advertise for additional candidates.

Budget – Chief Carpenter will meet with Lyman Budget Committee in February 2011 to present GMFR budget for FY 2012 (July 2011-June 2012). George Sutton will discuss with Lyman Selectmen the need for Lyman Treasurer to review GMFR financial records to prepare for the Lyman/Dayton Municipal Fire Department.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.