

## WAREHOUSE POINT FIRE DISTRICT

Special Meeting Minutes Monday May 18, 2020 Station 138, 89 Bridge Street East Windsor Time: 7pm

Call to order: 7:04

Attendance: Louis Flynn, Kevin Clynch, Rachel Safford, Austin Holden, Charlie Miller, Charlie

Nordell, Carl Landolina District Attorney

Discussion:

- Shall the Warehouse Point Fire District, wholly situated in the Town of East Windsor, County of Hartford and the State of Connecticut elect to be hereafter governed under the provisions of Chapter 105 of the General Statute, but elect to continue its existing form of organization and exercising those powers and duties granted to districts in the general statutes? We are currently working under a special act that was written in 1911.

The current problem the district is facing is borrowing money, the special act only allows a small amount from 1911. In 1963 they went to the state to borrow money from the bank, they made mistake, went back a year later to borrow the money. If we would go back to the state now, we could have difficultly, especially right now with the pandemic. Our district attorney recommends we go to chapter 105. It's the modern way to do it. There will be no vote tonight, this is an informational meeting.

Public Comment: Alan Baker, I was wondering if there were any other benefits to going with chapter 105? Does this change your ability to collect taxes?

Louis, no we can still collect taxes.

It is a more streamlined way to do it.

We would not be able to go to a bond council and get a bond without this. Our act is outdated. This would be a more modern way of doing business. Alan: seems like a good thing to do. Louis, this would replace the special act. Rachel, this would bring us more in alignment with the rest of the districts in the state. Chief, this would be an update to our special activities, I believe it is a better way to be governed. Discussion of the vote on May 26. Carl, the act is outdated, it would take legislative action to amend the special act, which would not happen at this time due to COVID-19. To go to the bond council this would be needed. This will still allow you to keep your organizational structure.

Discussion of chapter 105. Chapter 105 will give you tools to help avoid the district getting disbanded. Open up the time for the hours for voting, 4-7. This would be a thumb up, thumb down vote.

Discussion of the annual meeting with Attorney Landolina: June 9th for nominations, Inform the public that the position is open and nomination will be on June 9th. Election 27-30th of June. Discussion of terms. June 9th is a board meeting; the special act says a week.

Adjournment: motion to adjourn 7:53 Charlie Nordell, Charlie Miller second. All in favor Submitted by Jill Caron