

# Cumberland Fire District

Headquarters @ Station Four  
3502 Mendon Road Cumberland, RI 02864 401.658.0544  
www.cumberlandfire.org

Established  
November 10, 2014

**AGENDA OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT**  
**THURSDAY MAY 26, 2015 6:45PM**  
**CUMBERLAND TOWN HALL**  
**45 BROAD STREET CUMBERLAND 02864**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 4. CONSENT AGENDA**
- 5. OLD BUSINESS**
  - a. FC-2016-R-21 Formal resolution on 2016-2017 Budget Second Vote
- 6. NEW BUSINESS**
  - a. FC-2016-R-22 Tax Rate
  - b. FC-2016-R-23 Exemptions
  - c. FC-2016-R-24 Tax Levy
- 7. PUBLIC INPUT**
- 8. ADJOURNMENT**

**NOTE: THE VARIOUS RESOLUTIONS WILL BE POST ON MAY 24, 2016 AFTER THE SECOND HEARING AND FIRST VOTE.**

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Posted: SOS Web Site  
Cumberland Town Hall (45 Broad Street)  
Cumberland Fire Department HQ (3502 Mendon Road)

## Mission Statement

The mission of the Cumberland Fire District is to provide exceptional public safety services in a safe, compassionate, cost effective and professional manner.

Bruce A. Lemois  
Chairman

Phillip Koutsogiane  
Vice-Chair

Christopher Parent  
Commissioner

Cynthia Ouellette  
Commissioner

Ronald Champagne  
Commissioner

Jim Scullin  
Commissioner

Frank Matta  
Commissioner

Kenneth Finlay  
Chief of the Department

Station One  
555 High Street  
401.722.5992

Station Two  
1530 Mendon Road  
401.333.1421

Station Five  
50 Arnold Mills Road  
401.333.2244

Kelley Morris  
General Counsel

Thomas Bruce  
Finance

Debra Auclair  
District Clerk

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**FC-R-2016-21**  
**CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT**  
**Resolution**

**RESOLUTION:** Pass the 2016-2017 budget as attached on pages two and three

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CFD COMMITTEE AS FOLLOWS:**

WHEREAS: The CFD Committee took the required first vote on May 24, 2016 and it passed 5-2

	<b>YES</b>		<b>NO</b>
	Champagne	Parent	Koutsogiane
	Ouellette	Matta	Scullin
	Lemois		

WHEREAS: The CFD Committee is required to take a second vote

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:**

RESOLVED: The CFD Committee vote and approve the operating budget for 2016-2017 in the amount of \$ \$7,580,232.76 and as attached hereto and labeled with this resolution number.

Approved this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016

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Bruce A. Lemois, Chairman	Debra Auclair, Clerk

## Cumberland Fire District ~ 2016 to 2017 Fiscal Budget SUMMARY COVER SHEET

	2015-16 Budget	Project 2016-2017 Budget
<b>TAX REVENUE</b>	7,092,292.00	7,035,553.96
<b>NON-TAX REVENUE</b>	268,699.00	544,678.80
	<u>7,360,991.00</u>	<u>7,580,232.76</u>
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	203,800.00	207,000.00
<b>UTILITIES</b>	405,684.00	378,903.00
<b>CONTRACTED SALARIES</b>	5,828,715.00	5,756,671.84
<b>RETIREEES</b>	144,000.00	135,841.25
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>	236,100.00	405,501.67
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES</b>	371,000.00	445,250.00
<b>EMPLOYEE EXPENSES</b>	94,292.00	42,300.00
<b>OTHER</b>	<u>77,400.00</u>	<u>41,500.00</u>
SUBTOTAL	<u>7,360,991.00</u>	<u>7,412,967.76</u>
		65,000.00
		67,200.00
		<u>35,065.00</u>
		<b>167,265.00</b>
	<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>7,580,232.76</b>

**Cumberland Fire District ~ 2016 to 2017 Fiscal Budget**

5/18/2016

	2015-16 Budget	Project 2016-2017 Budget
<b>REVENUE</b>		
4000 - Tax Revenues-Current year	7,092,292.00	7,035,553.96
4001 - Abatement Adjustments (projected past due)		-
4005 - Revenue - Past Due Taxes	226,031.00	218,688.00
4007 - NSF Fee Reimbursement Income		100.00
4010 - Interest Income- Past Due Taxes		40,000.00
4015 - Fire Prevention/Plan Review	42,668.00	42,000.00
4050 - Interest Income General Fund		10,000.00
4055 - Interest Income HRA Fund		200.00
4060 - Interest Income Truck Fund		25.00
4065 - Interest Income Fire Prevention		-
4070 - Interest Income-Retirem Health		100.00
4075 - Interest Income Comm/Training		25.00
4105 - Reimbursed Ins.-Former Employee		21,040.80
4110 - Miscellaneous Other Income		5,000.00
4110.1 - Revenue Rescue Income		8,000.00
4110.2 - Insurance Reimbursement		-
4110.3 - Detail Reimbursement		15,000.00
4110.4 - IOD Ins. Reimbursement		-
4110.4 - Fire Prevention Reimbursement		61,500.00
4114 - Income Radio Box Alarm Maint		23,000.00
4115 - Tax Sale Fee Income		35,000.00
4200 - Sale of Assets		-
4300 - Transfer from Surplus (For Capital Exp)		65,000.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>7,360,991.00</b>	<b>7,580,232.76</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>		
5111 - Vehicle Gas & Oil	65,000.00	65,000.00
5112 - Vehicle Repair & Maintenance	77,000.00	77,000.00
5121 - Upgrading & Equipment Purchases	30,000.00	30,000.00
5122 - Radio Equipment Upgrades & Main	5,000.00	5,000.00
5123 - Equipment Supplies & Repairs	7,500.00	5,000.00
5124 - First Aid Equipment & Suppl	10,000.00	10,000.00
5125 - Equipment Testing & Certificati	2,800.00	5,000.00
5126 - Fire Alarm	1,500.00	1,500.00
5127 - Furnishings	2,000.00	2,000.00
5128 - Communications Upgrades	1,000.00	2,000.00
5129 - Shared Communications	2,000.00	4,500.00
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>203,800.00</b>	<b>207,000.00</b>
<b>UTILITIES</b>		
5230 - Utilities - Cox	600.00	-
5231 - Telephone	20,000.00	12,000.00
5232 - Electricity	35,000.00	36,000.00
5233 - Gas & Hot Water	22,000.00	15,000.00
5236 - Sewer Assessment & Usage	2,800.00	3,500.00
5237 - Water Usage Fees	20,000.00	8,000.00
5238 - Hydrant Fees - Cumberland:Pawt	127,231.00	184,600.00
5238.01 Hydrant Fees - Pawtucket	92,403.00	69,888.00
5234 - Building Supplies, Repair & Imp	42,000.00	21,298.00
5235 - Air Cascade Maintenance	950.00	2,000.00
5540 - Restricted - Cap Improvs Statio	42,700.00	26,617.00
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>405,684.00</b>	<b>378,903.00</b>
<b>CONTRACTED SALARIES</b>		
5340.01 - Salaries - Firefighters	2,871,927.00	2,820,919.42
5340.02 - Salaries - Overtime Wages	-	-
5340.03 - Salaries - Holiday Stipend	164,775.00	162,745.35
5340.04 - Salaries - Vacation OT	373,848.00	374,400.00
5340.05 - Salaries - Sick Pay OT	79,083.00	164,500.77
5340.06 - Salaries - Personal OT	65,184.00	49,848.72
5340.07 - Salaries - Other	-	20,000.00
5340.08 - Salaries - Longevity Pay	108,536.00	121,436.23
5340.09 - Salaries - Acting Officer Pay	-	2,000.00
5340.10 - Salaries - Detail Pay	-	15,000.00
5340.11 - Salaries - Clothing Allowances	54,900.00	45,900.00
5340.12 - Salaries - Injured on Duty	-	-
5340.13 - Salaries - Education Incentive	7,500.00	6,500.00
5340.14 - Salaries - EMT Incentive	80,400.00	81,800.00
5340.15 - Salaries - IOD Fill In OT	-	-
5341 - Payroll Tax Expenses	308,375.00	289,334.51
5342 - Pension Plan Expenses	736,226.00	676,076.69
5343.01 - Healthcare Insurances	783,662.00	867,414.20
5343.03 - Healthcare Deductions From Pay	(66,300.00)	(94,918.98)
5343.04 - Healthcare Reimbursements	160,000.00	68,000.00
5344 - Dental Insurance	67,099.00	64,964.91
5345 - Vision Care	5,150.00	5,100.00
5346 - Life Insurance Benefits	10,350.00	7,650.00
5352 - Education Tuition Costs	18,000.00	8,000.00
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>5,828,715.00</b>	<b>5,756,671.84</b>

**Cumberland Fire District ~ 2016 to 2017 Fiscal Budget**

5/18/2016

	<u>2015-16 Budget</u>	<u>Project 2016-2017 Budget</u>
<b>RETIREES</b>		
5343.02 - Healthcare Insurance - Retirees	144,000.00	121,315.65
5343.03 - COLA - Retirees	-	10,311.68
5344.01 - Dental Insurance - Retirees	-	<u>4,213.92</u>
SUB TOTAL	<u>144,000.00</u>	<u>135,841.25</u>
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>		
5343.05 - Healthcare Insurance - Admin	-	67,718.00
5343.06 - Healthcare Reimbursements - Admin	-	6,500.00
5343.07 - Healthcare Deductions From Pay - Admin	-	(7,772.82)
5344.02 - Dental Insurance - Admin	-	6,444.00
5415 - Finance Management Fee	78,000.00	-
5422 - District Commissioner Stipends	-	23,000.00
5424 - Salaries - Administration Staff	128,900.00	284,637.70
5425 - Salaries - Clerk	3,200.00	3,200.00
5430 - Payroll Taxes - Administrative	16,000.00	21,774.78
5431 - Part Time Clerks - Tax Season	<u>10,000.00</u>	-
SUB TOTAL	<u>236,100.00</u>	<u>405,501.67</u>
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES</b>		
5411 - Insurances	310,000.00	320,000.00
5412 - Supplies & Exps - Business Expenses	3,000.00	9,500.00
5413 - Treasurer Expenses (TO 5412)	3,000.00	-
5416 - Fire Chief Supplies & Exp	2,000.00	4,500.00
5418 - Newspaper Advertisements	750.00	750.00
5419 - Computerized Tax Bills	6,000.00	12,000.00
5420 - Computerized Payroll Proc. Fees	8,000.00	12,000.00
5427 - Legal	12,000.00	15,000.00
5427.01 - Legal - CBA	-	-
5427.02 - Legal - PWSB	-	-
5433 - Bank Service Fees	1,250.00	-
5434 - Computer Development Program	3,500.00	2,500.00
5435 - Grants - Matching Funds	5,000.00	5,000.00
5436 - Office Equipment (TO 5412)	3,000.00	-
5437 - Tax Collector Expenses (TO 5412)	3,000.00	-
5438 - Printing & Postage	7,000.00	5,000.00
5439 - Professional Fees	3,500.00	-
5441 - External Accounting Fees	-	15,000.00
5442 - Fire Prevention Offset	-	1,000.00
5444 - Stenographer / Videographer	-	3,000.00
5500 - Refunds & Abatements	-	20,000.00
6075 - Tax Sale Fees	-	<u>20,000.00</u>
SUB TOTAL	<u>371,000.00</u>	<u>445,250.00</u>
<b>EMPLOYEE EXPENSES</b>		
5348 - Call Firefighters Stipends	47,000.00	20,000.00
5350.01 - Salaries - Part Time FF's	20,592.00	-
5350.02 - Part Time - Uniforms/Clothing	500.00	-
5349 - Manpower Training	-	-
5349.01 - Drills & Training	17,750.00	10,000.00
5349.02 - FP & EMS Training	3,000.00	3,000.00
5349.03 - Medical Examinations	3,000.00	3,000.00
5351 - Employee Support Health&Welfare	2,000.00	3,800.00
5432 - Affiliated Fire Associations	450.00	2,000.00
5443 - Professional Development	-	500.00
SUB TOTAL	<u>94,292.00</u>	<u>42,300.00</u>
<b>OTHER</b>		
5520.01 - Restricted - Truck Loan Princ	54,000.00	-
5520.02 - Restricted - Truck Loan Interes	8,400.00	-
5530 - Restricted - Contingency	10,000.00	10,000.00
5550 - Restricted - Legal Claims	-	-
5560 - Restricted - Sick Time Payout	5,000.00	5,000.00
5600 - Tax - Legal & Collection Fees	-	1,000.00
6025 - Spec. Fund Merger L A & C	-	-
6030 - Spec. Fund Fire Prevention Exp	-	18,000.00
6050 - Spec. Fund Fire Alarm Box	-	<u>7,500.00</u>
SUB TOTAL	<u>77,400.00</u>	<u>41,500.00</u>
Total Expense	<u>\$ 7,360,991.00</u>	<u>\$ 7,412,967.76</u>
	Capital Exp	\$ 65,000.00
	Pawt Water	\$ 67,200.00
	Change in Pension Calculation	\$ 35,065.00
		<u>\$ 167,265.00</u>
	<b>2016-2017 Budget</b>	<b>\$ 7,580,232.76</b>

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**FC-R-2016-22**

**CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT**

**Resolution**

**RESOLUTION:** That the operational tax rate for the CFD will be \$2.08 per thousand

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CFD COMMITTEE AS FOLLOWS:**

WHEREAS: The CFD Fire Committee has an adopted budget under R-2016-21

WHEREAS: The CFD Fire Committee has determined a base, or operational tax rate of \$2.08.

WHEREAS: If the CFD Fire Committee adopts any exemptions, the adjusted tax rate will be determined by R-2016-23

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:**

RESOLVED: The CFD Fire Committee approves the base, or operational tax rate of \$2.08

Approved this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016

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Bruce A. Lemois, Chairman

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Debra Auclair, Clerk

1 **FC-R-2016-23**

2 **CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT**

3 **Resolution**

4 **RESOLUTION:** The CFD provide for value exemptions for a reduced tax cost to Seniors,  
5 Veterans and the Blind.

6 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CFD COMMITTEE AS FOLLOWS:**

7 **WHEREAS:** The four districts had varying tax exemption policies; ranging from zero  
8 (0) to one hundred percent (100%) of the Town’s assessed values.

9 **WHEREAS:** It is the goal of the CFD to continue the equalization merging brings to  
10 our Town, in the area of tax exemptions.

11 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:**

12• **RESOLVED:**

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14 (a) Pursuant to the Rhode Island General Laws, real and personal property situated within the town may  
15 be exempt from taxation up to the amounts established for each exemption listed in this section. The  
16 maximum aggregate exemption from taxation for any combination of the exemptions listed in this  
17 section shall be \$24,907.00

- 18 (1) For veterans and unmarried widows of veterans limit of exemption.....\$10,189.00
- 19 (2) For the veteran who are also classified as totally Disabled through service connected  
20 disability, limit of exemption.....20,378.00
- 21 (3) For persons who are 65 years of age or older and who own and occupy real property, limit  
22 of exemption.....20,378.00
- 23 (4) For person who qualified as blind \$20,378
- 24 (b) Eligible persons shall apply with the tax assessor on or before March 15 for exemptions to  
25 be applied to taxes for the following year and continuing thereafter as long as said persons  
26 remain eligible. Any exemption under section (a)(3) above, shall be granted to said person  
27 otherwise eligible, only if said person, has been a resident of and continuously resided in  
28 the town for at least one year prior to the date of application for exemption.

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30 **RESOLVED:** This resolution will add approximately four cents (\$0.04) to the  
31 operational tax rate passed in R-2016-22 for a total of \$2.12

32 Approved this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016

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35 Bruce A. Lemois, Chairman

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35 Debra Auclair, Clerk



- 39           **2.     The second installment of twenty-five percent (25%) on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day**  
40                   **of October 2016.**
- 41           **3.     The third installment of twenty-five percent (25%) on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day of**  
42                   **January, 2017.**
- 43           **4.     The fourth and final twenty-five percent (25%) on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day of**  
44                   **April, 2017.**

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46   **Each installment of taxes, if paid within five (5) business days of each installment due date**  
47   **will be free from any charge of interest.**

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49   **SECTION 6: All tangible personal property and real estate bills totaling one hundred dollars or**  
50   **less for the year, will be due in full on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016.**

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52   **SECTION 7: Any of said taxes not paid on or before July 20, 2016 shall be collected**  
53   **by levy upon sale of the real estate upon which it is assessed or by other due process of law.**

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55   **SECTION 8: There shall be a minimum bill calculated of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).**

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57   **SECTION 9: This levy shall take effect upon its passage and all resolution or portions thereof**  
58   **which are inconsistent herewith are hereby appealed.**

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61   **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:**

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66   Approved this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016

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69   Bruce A. Lemois, Chairman

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69   Debra Auclair, Clerk