BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

FEBRUARY 10, 2020

"MINUTES"

Present: Brett Salafia, Phil Visintainer, Darin Hurne, Eric Germain and Darius Ledas.

Others Present: Fire Chief Greg Voelker, Marty Swan, and Rich Klotzbier.

<u>Call to Order:</u> Chairman Salafia called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at Company #1 on Barton Hill Road.

Pledge of Allegiance:

<u>Approval of the Minutes:</u> A motion was made by Mr. Hurne, seconded by Mr. Ledas, to approve of the January 13, 2020 regular meeting minutes with the change to switch Mr. Hurne and Mr. Germain's names in voting. Voted 5-0 in favor.

A motion was made by Mr. Germain, seconded by Mr. Visintainer, to add an awards payout under New Business. Voted 5-0 in favor.

<u>Public Remarks:</u> Eric Peterson of the Board of Finance wanted to greet the commissioners and introduce himself.

Approvals of bills/ budget reports: None

Fire Marshal's Report: Attached to the minutes.

Fire Chief's Report: Attached to the minutes.

<u>Communications:</u> There was an email from Matt Walton for an awards payout. This will be addressed in New Business.

Unfinished Business:

- a) Dry Hydrants Follow Up: There are no updates.
- **b) New Engine 2-12 Status:** The new Engine is in Connecticut with Firematic. The cross lay piping issue has been resolved before being delivered.
- c) Chief Vehicle: The new chief vehicle is in service and the old vehicle will go to Company 2 as the new towing vehicle.
- **d) LED Lighting Upgrade:** The contract for the generator and lighting was signed and sent out. The lighting upgrade would change over in March. And the generator would take about 2 weeks to complete.
- e) Capital Budget Update: The Capital Budget was submitted to the Town to be put forth for the Town Council. The accountability line item has been added to appease the OSHA complaint and deter more in the future.

f) Award Program Accounting 2019: The report has been sent to both Mr. Salafia and the Fire Chief. The list will be posted for 30 days to allow for any changes if needed. After the 30 days the list will be finalized.

New Business:

- a) **Award Payout Request:** Matt Walton emailed the commission to request a payout of his remaining balance from his awards program. *A motion was made by Mr. Visintainer, seconded by Mr. Hurne, to approve of the payout of \$11,546.10. Voted 5-0 in favor.*
- **b) Accountability:** The command center for the accountability of the fire department. The price increased slightly from when it was previously researched. The price for this item will be double checked but will possibly be taken out of the capital budget proposal.
- c) Operating Budget: \$4,000 was taken out of the heating oil line item and was placed into the natural gas line item in the budget.
- **d)** Tax Abatement: The Tax Abatement had a slight wording change. The Tax Abatement is now a Tax Stipend.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Mr. Hurne, seconded by Mr. Visintainer, to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 PM. Voted 5-0 in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Aligata

Recording Clerk