

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

MARCH 9, 2020

“MINUTES”

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

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

Approval of the Minutes: *A motion was made to table the minutes for next month's meeting.*

Public Remarks: None

Approvals of bills/ budget reports: A quote was provided for new Hurst tools. There is money left over from the Engine 2-12 project could be used towards the purchase of the tools. *A motion was made by Mr. Hurne, seconded by Mr. Germain, to approve the purchase of Hurst tools and to encumber funds out of the Engine 2-12 line item and capital budget. Voted 4-0 in favor.* It was suggested to investigate removing the existing hydraulic tools in house before deciding to have outside help removing tools. Older meters made by Scott are not being supported. BW Gas & Ray Systems sells meters; the fire department will be looking into purchasing meters from the company. Each meter costs \$565 a piece, and the CO meters costs \$100 a piece. The Fire Chief suggested purchasing 3 regular meters and 10 CO meters to replace the old existing meters. These new meters last two years once purchased. *A motion was made by Mr. Hurne, seconded by Mr. Visintainer, to approve of purchasing 3 regular meters at \$565 a piece and 10 CO meters at \$100 a piece to use money from line 5658 not to exceed \$2,995. Voted 4-0 in favor.*

Fire Marshal's Report: Attached to the minutes.

Fire Chief's Report: Attached to the minutes.

Communications: ACG found some outstanding social security numbers for members in the fire department.

Unfinished Business:

- a) **Dry Hydrants Follow Up:** Waiting to hear back about the hydrants.
- b) **New Engine 2-12 Status:** The new engine is at the company.
- c) **LED Lighting Upgrade:** The lighting has been changed in Company 1. All companies will be changed over by April. The Town Manager contacted the Fire Chief stating that there is a process to go through funding for a project in town. A reply was sent back to the Town Manager.

- d) **Capital Budget Update:** None
- e) **Award Program Accounting 2019:** The awards program has been double checked and one error was found and dealt with. *A motion was made by Mr. Hurne, seconded by Mr. Germain, to accept awards program as submitted for the 30-day requirement and if there are no problems. Voted 4-0 in favor.* The Tax Stipend program had 43 qualifying members. *A motion was made by Mr. Germain, seconded by Mr. Visintainer, to accept as amended to remove #16 from the Juniors list and submitted after the required 30 day allowing there are no problems with the list. Voted 4-0 in favor.* The members discussed coming up with an awards program for the junior members of the fire department. It was suggested to have this as a topic on the agenda. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

New Business:

- a) **Reconcile Capital Accounts:** This was tabled for the next meeting.
- b) **Any Other Items:** Chairman Salafia will be unable to attend next month's meeting. It was decided to move the meeting to April 20th. Mr. Swan attended a meeting with department heads about the coronavirus and how the emergency personnel (PD, EMS, and FD) handle the virus.

Adjournment: *A motion was made by Mr. Salafia, seconded by Mr. Visintainer, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. Voted 4-0 in favor.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Aligata

Recording Clerk

Administrative Assistant