

# **BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSION**

## **Regular Meeting**

**December 13, 2021**

### **“MINUTES”**

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

**Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Fire Chief Greg Voelker, Marty Swan, Fire Marshal Rich Kloztbier and JJ Burke.

**Call to Order:** Chairman Salafia called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at Company #1 firehouse.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Approval of the Minutes:**

- a. **November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021:** *A motion was made by Mr. Hurne, seconded by Mr. Germain, to approve of the November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 with no changes. Voted 5-0 in favor.*

**Public Remarks:** None

**Approval of bills/budget report:** Repairs are needed for Squad 1-12. The vehicle needs new tires and replace the springs and shocks that would come to almost \$4,000. *A motion was made by Mr. Hurne, seconded by Mr. Visintainer, to approve of the repairs to Squad 1-12 not to exceed \$4,000. Voted 5-0 in favor.*

**Fire Marshal Report:** See attached

**Fire Chief Report:** See attached

**Communications:** None

**Unfinished Business**

- a. **Dry Hydrants Follow Up:** The work on the Chestnut Hill dry hydrant is finished. The hydrant was pumped out, the pipe was cut, and then reconnected for the repairs. The hydrant is now functional after a test was performed by Fire Department members. The Fire Department is working with Public Works to take away some of the guardrails and have gravel put down to make a sort of parking area for the emergency vehicles. American Distilling's repairs are scheduled for the second week in January. The company has to shut down while the repairs are happening, so the department has to

coordinate with them on the timing of everything. There is a new PO for Underwater Construction for the Chestnut Hill hydrant. Also, the mix up with the canceled PO's should be fixed soon so the company can get paid. It was suggested that the department coordinates with the Finance department to solve the PO issue.

- b. Ladder Truck repairs:** The new timeline for the truck would be delivery for early January.
- c. Tanker Update:** The updated timeframe for delivery of the tanker should be the middle of January.
- d. Award Program Changes:** The Town Council approved of the award changes at their last meeting. The money amount for the stipend raise will be included into the next budget season.

### **New Business**

- a. Any other new business:** There was an election held to vote on new department officers. There will be one last election held in January. The boat needs to be replaced since there are so many things needing to be fixed. A quote was obtained from Mid Atlantic Rescue. It was suggested to get a representative from the company to join the meeting to present to the members and the public about the quote and the new boat. There was another suggestion to investigate whether the company is on state contract. The members discussed having the boat replaced as a capital request and expand on the justification for a new boat in the narrative for the next budget season. The new boat quote amount was around \$48,000. The members were informed that Forestry 1-12 should be retired. It was suggested to have a discussion with Mr. Jylkka from the Finance Department about what to do with Forestry 1-12 after it has been retired. *A motion was made by Mr. Hurne, seconded by Mr. Ledas, to retire Forestry 1-12. Voted 5-0 in favor.*

**Adjournment:** *A motion was made by Mr. Hurne, seconded by Mr. Visintainer, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 P.M. Voted 5-0 in favor.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Aligata

Recording Clerk

Administrative Assistant