

STAMFORD JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

Minutes

August 14, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Stamford Joint Fire District was called to order at 7:20pm by Chairman Tim Powell. *(Late start due to an EMS call and waiting for commissioners to return).*

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present were: Lucy Chichester, Deidra Hill, Ellen Kennedy, Dusty King, Peter Pioppo, Tim Powell, Stamford FD Chief AJ Vamosy, and Stamford FD 2nd Assistant Chief Joe Hornbeck.

The Minutes from the July meeting were read and approved – 1st motion by Deidra, 2nd motion by Peter – none opposed.

Reports / Requests from Fire Department Chiefs

- On behalf of EMS Chief Ryan Hejnal, a discussion about the purchase of twelve oxygen bottles.

Presentation of Bills

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Ace Hardware	\$ 486.57
Ace Hardware	\$ 18.39
Airgas	\$ 422.99
AT&T Mobility	\$ 191.15
Daily Star	\$ 58.46
Fyr Fyter	\$ 94.00
Kimball Midwest	\$ 275.88
Margaretville Telephone	\$ 95.97
Margaretville Telephone	\$ 121.53
Mountain Eagle	\$ 19.00
NAPA (Gillee's_	\$ 190.15
NYSEG	\$ 94.30
NYSEG	\$ 512.65
NYSIF Workers' Comp	\$ 2,332.76
Sherman Air Service	\$ 250.00
Stamford FD	\$ 174.88
WEX Bank	\$ 725.83
Total	\$ 6,064.51

Approval of bills as presented – 1st motion by Peter, 2nd motion by Dusty – none opposed.

Treasurer's Report

Checking Account	\$ 1,138.85
General Fund Account	\$ 70,726.29
Apparatus Reserve	\$ 26,084.98
Repair Reserve	\$ 24,934.39

Lucy noted that she will move the \$18.39 for building repairs in the next few months so it's in the black.

Old Business

- Clean out and renovation of upstairs office – still a work in progress. Discussion about having an auto close installed on the door which will be useful in the summer when the air conditioner is on.
- Purchasing policy – no updates to status.
- E-PCRs and setting up with fire reports – no updates to status.
- Paving project status – should be starting soon – first or second week in September.
- Truck room floor coating project has been completed.
- The tablets are here for the chiefs and trucks. Tim and Peter will continue to format the tablets.
- Reminder of budget workshop followed by dinner at Mama Maria's – Wednesday, 8/28 at 7:00pm. Discussion to include all chiefs + guest at the dinner. Approved – 1st motion by Dusty, 2nd motion by Peter – none opposed.

New Business

Discussion about the status of the boilers.

- Tim spoke with attorney Bill Young. This would be a public works project and needs prevailing wage.
- Tim spoke with Ken Muthig and received a quote of \$27,000.
- Per Bill Young, three quotes are required and if a company is solicited and does not provide a quote (a 'no quote'), that counts as a quote too.
- Main Care does not do commercial installations; Sunrise could not make an appointment.
- Discussion about reaching out to Mirabito – commissioners said no. Tim will reach out to Sunrise to follow up.
- The job would take approximately two weeks as there is plumbing work to be done too.
- A resolution was discussed and approved in the event the boiler repairs cannot be claimed through insurance. 1st motion by Dusty, 2nd motion by Deidra – none opposed.

The resolution and voting results are as follows:

Stamford Joint Fire District Boiler Replacement Resolution

WHEREAS, on July 20th, 2019 it was discovered that the smaller of the 2 boilers used to heat the firehouse developed a leak; and

WHEREAS, after having the boiler inspected by a competent heating contractor it was determined the boiler could not be safely and effectively repaired; and

WHEREAS, the boiler is a necessary appliance required for the proper operation of the firehouse; and

WHEREAS, the larger boiler was installed at the same time and is likely to suffer the same malfunction as the inoperable boiler; and

WHEREAS, both boilers need to work in a balanced and synchronized manner; and

WHEREAS, the Stamford Joint Fire district has solicited RFP's to replace both boilers and required plumbing, controls, valves, and all other components needed to replace both boilers; and

WHEREAS, the Stamford Joint Fire District has in excess of \$28,000.00 in its capital/equipment repair reserve account;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Stamford Joint Fire District approves the expenditure of not more than \$27,000.00 from the capital/equipment repair reserve account to replace both boilers including all parts and labor to commission both boilers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Stamford Joint Fire District will appropriate funds in the 2020 fiscal year to replace at least \$13,500.00 in the repair reserve account; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that at least an additional \$13,500.00 will be appropriated in the 2021 fiscal year.

This resolution being adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Stamford Joint Fire District on August 14th, 2019, subject to a permissive referendum and any other laws or rules governing such expenditures in New York State.

Tim Powell – yes

Deidra Hill – yes

Dusty King – yes

Peter Pioppp – yes

Bill Sharick – absent

Commissioner Reports / Discussion

- Deidra –
 - Minutes on the website are up to date.
 - Call numbers need to be updated.
 - Deidra reviewed some statistics from the website, including that it has been viewed 4,000 times (9/1/18 to 8/1/19).
- Dusty –
 - The doors are here. Tim noted that he saw Tom Ehrhart and that the doors will be installed before winter gets here.
 - Still needs to work on a few lights and electric outlets.
 - Tim noted that the timer on the truck room floor has been replaced.
 - Need to work on the smoke alarms upstairs.
- Peter –
 - Truck battery cleaning still needs to be done.
 - 2731 has a new battery.
 - 2771 and 2713 back up alarms are still having issues and work intermittently.
- Bill –
 - Did not attend meeting.
 - Discussion about new pagers and who would get what. Chief Vamosy reviewed the roster and noted the proposed allocation of pagers.
- Tim –
 - Discussion that the air scrubbers need to be installed next year.
 - Discussion about presenter coming in to demonstrate parking assistance via floor lighting and back up alarms. Illuma Door will be here on Thursday, 8/22 to do a demo. It was also noted that they do air scrubber installations.
 - Discussion about the noon whistle and that people have been wondering why it does not go off. We will turn it back on.
 - Joe Hornbeck used the Zamboni to wash the truck room floor after a recent event and said that the machine did a great job and floor came out great.

- Discussion that many people who visit the firehouse have commented on the clean up progress.

Other Business

- Options for a siren – Dusty and Kenny King still need to look into.
- Solar panels – nothing to report.
- Phone line and efax services – on hold for now.
- Overhead doors – still need to paint.
- Discussion about mandatory department trainings and that they need to be completed by October or there could be actions taken.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully,

Ellen Kennedy
District Secretary