

# STAMFORD JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

## Minutes

June 13, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Stamford Joint Fire District was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Chairman Deidra Hill.

Present were:

Deidra Hill	x	Dusty King	x	Stamford Fire Chief Don VanEtten	x
Lucy Chichester	x	Peter Pioppo	x	1 <sup>st</sup> Assistant Fire Chief AJ Vamosy	
Ellen Kennedy	x	Tim Powell	x	2 <sup>nd</sup> Assistant Fire Chief Joe Hornbeck	x
		Bill Sharick	x	Stamford EMS Chief Ryan Hejnal	

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Public Hearing was opened regarding expenditure from the repair reserve for service and repairs, not to exceed \$15,000.00

The Minutes from the May meeting were read and approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Tim, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Bill – none opposed.

### **Presentation of Bills**

<b><u>Vendor</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
AT&T Mobility	\$ 229.38
Bound Tree Medical	\$ 150.72
Eklund Family Farm Machinery Inc	\$ 390.00
Fire End & Croker Corp	\$ 1,350.00
Fleury Risk Management	\$ 3,230.80
Har-Rob Fire Apparatus	\$ 2,985.00
Haynes Lawn care	\$ 120.00
Hodgson Russ	\$ 10,408.57
Karl W. Reynard Inc.	\$ 548.12
Lowe's	\$ 157.74
Margaretville Telephone	\$ 99.12
MIBH/Healthworks	\$ 225.00
NAPA	\$ 14.49
NYSIF	\$ 275.75
NYSIF	\$ 5,831.57
On Star	\$ 20.00
Pavement Paintlines	\$ 650.00
The Daily Star	\$ 89.52
The Mountain Eagle	\$ 100.05
WEX Bank	\$ 1,038.09
Young, Kelsey, Brown, & Strippoli	\$ 313.50
	<b>\$ 28,227.42</b>

Approval of bills as presented – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Tim, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Bill – none opposed.

**Treasurer's Report** - Bank account balances as of 6/13/2023:

### **Wayne Bank Accounts**

Checking Account	\$ 919.64
General Fund Savings	\$ 21.12
Apparatus Reserve Savings	\$ 1,168.71
Apparatus Reserve CD	\$ 115,000.00
Repair Reserve Savings	\$ 1.94

### **Bank of Greene County Accounts**

Checking Account	\$	1,932.09
General fund Savings	\$	441,008.27
Apparatus Reserve Savings	\$	4,000.00
Repair Reserve Savings	\$	31,796.05

### **Privilege of the Floor**

No comments at this time.

### **Reports / Requests from Fire Department Chiefs**

- Nothing to report this month
- Tim noted that George Curbelo (EMS Captain) was out on a call. If he returned in time, he would have a report.
- Discussion about a new CAD program which will roll out in approximately 13 months which may not integrate with ESO program.

### **Old Business**

- Various jobs around the firehouse to complete – nothing to report.
- Landing zone update – has been striped, just needs to have a windsock installed.
- Roof project updates –
  - Waiting on O'Connor grant application status and start date to begin the work.
  - Re: schedule of payments. Tim believes \$20K is needed for start up. The paperwork for insurance has been started. Tim will reach out to architect Dave Altman and with his approval will follow the schedule. Approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Tim, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Dusty – none opposed.

### **New Business**

- Discussion to set date and location for Budget Workshop. Will be on Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at Mama Maria's.
- Discussion about cameras in the office upstairs and truck room. Tim will reach out to Country Home Security – prices pending.
- Tim – discussion about roof project lighting and showed sample product. Cost is \$35/light, would be approximately \$1,100 to add downward accent lights on the firehouse. Approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed to purchase the same as sample or a similar product.

### **Commissioner Reports / Discussion**

- Deidra –
  - Noted should be up to date, fire and EMS numbers have been posted by Bill.
- Dusty –
  - Noted that the concrete step coming up from side parking lot has been repaired, and the one above it is starting to get loose.
  - Tried to repair some of the corners of the wall. Looking to demo the wall in the future.
- Peter –
  - Noted 2751 leak has been repaired.
  - Noted may have a potential recruit for the department.
  - Noted 2761 needs front brakes – need to determine where it will be serviced.
- Bill –
  - Continue to have problems with G1 pagers – chargers and bases are junk and continue to have battery issues.
  - Bill has some G3 antennae – pending who is active member, will hand out G3's.
  - Discussion to purchase 4 more Motorolas and phase out the G1's – approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Tim, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Bill – none opposed.
  - Noted need to do something with hi-band radios and old radios with no chargers.
  - Update on 911 signs – done with Town of Jefferson; still need to do Towns of Stamford and Kortright. Will need more posts at some point.
  - Discussion about equipment and that four airpaks are out of service – BEFO and IFO class participants brought back two packs out of service. There are 13 packs – 10 of them are

- quite old. Have 9 available – 3 are newer. Decide if repair the 4 that are out of service – pending the cost – or need to replace.
- Tim – nothing to report.
  - George Curbelo joined the meeting and provided the following information:
    - Credentialing of EMS providers through EMS 1 Academy for EMTs and Paramedics:
      - 10 and under providers membership with OSHA - \$57/member/year
      - Set up = \$325 – a one time fee
      - Can add additional members
      - Quote = \$828.50
      - Fire and EMS for 54 members = \$4590/year
      - Discussion to do the EMS purchase and get a representative to come to a SFD Board of Directors meeting for fire. Approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Tim, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Bill – none opposed.
      - Set up a special meeting for a presentation/demonstration that George had viewed. Suggested dates are 7/13 at 6:00pm or 7/20 or 7/27.
      - Tim noted that we should get at least 2-3 people certified as instructors for CPR. Cost is approximately \$450 per person (high end). Should be additional members, and does not include Mark Fallon in that number. Approved – 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Tim, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed.

### **New Business**

Discussion that Wayne Bank's President called about the District pulling all the funds out. Offered 3.5% interest rates and waived all fees. Already were moving forward with setting up accounts at Bank of Greene County, and the accounts were not closed at Wayne Bank. Thought process to maybe maintain two accounts? Deidra, Tim and Don have a meeting with Wayne Bank's President and will report back.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:40p.m. and the resolution was approved and adopted. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Tim, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Dusty – none opposed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40p.m.

Respectfully,

Ellen Kennedy  
District Secretary