

STAMFORD JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

Minutes

November 10, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Stamford Joint Fire District was called to order at 7:05p.m. by Chairman Tim Powell.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present were: Deidra Hill, Ellen Kennedy, Dusty King, Peter Pioppo, Tim Powell, Bill Sharick, Stamford Fire Chief AJ Vamosy, 1st Assistant Fire Chief Don VanEtten, 2nd Assistant Fire Chief Joe Hornbeck and Stamford EMS Chief Ryan Hejnal.

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

Presentation of Bills

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Ace Hardware	\$189.60
AT&T Mobility	\$191.15
Bound Tree	\$350.18
Har-Rob Fire Apparatus	\$1,271.00
KJBL Electronics	\$727.50
Margaretville Telephone	\$124.53
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Mark Powell (Dec)	\$500.00
Mark Powell (Nov)	\$500.00
NYSEG	\$700.40
NYSIF Workers' Comp	\$2,120.39
On Star	\$25.00
Sherman Air Services	\$250.00
Stamford FD	\$200.00
The Daily Star	\$56.17
WEX Bank	\$734.50
TOTAL	<u>\$8,037.83</u>

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

Treasurer's Report

After November payments

Checking Account	\$ 4,118.42
General Fund Account	\$ 46,572.30
Apparatus Reserve	\$ 26,091.31
Repair Reserve	\$ 22,770.53

A check from Stamford Fire Department – \$1,614.69 – reimbursement for sign materials.

Privilege of the Floor

No one present

Reports / Requests from Fire Department Chiefs

Discussion about purchase of rescue webbing – approximately \$35 – approved. 1st motion by Dusty, 2nd motion by Peter – none opposed.

Old Business

- Clean out and renovation of upstairs office and firehouse – still a work in progress.
- Compliance with policies and forms – Tim, Bill, Deidra and Peter will start to work on in next few months.
 - Purchasing
 - Code of ethics
 - Social media
 - Membership approval resolution
 - Records retention policy
 - Policy on public comments at meetings
 - Information technology use policy
 - Credit card use policy
 - Workplace violence prevention policy
- Automatic door closer for upstairs office. Joe looking into. Reminder that we also need to get stoppers mounted on certain doors (swing up/down vs. using a wood wedge). All still work in progress.
- Provident Insurance coverage – discussion that might as well do via ZOOM since it will be a while before rep can travel for in person meeting. Ellen will set up with Kevin.
- First Responder powerpoint presentation to the town boards – scheduled to meet with Town of Harpersfield in December.
- Illuma Doors and air handler project – still have a few things to work out. 2771 door has switch problems which might require having to replace the track assembly due to the frequent ambulance use over past years. 2712 has transmitter issues.
- Discussion that there is approximately \$3-4,000 left on the door and air handler grant – use to buy filters so will have a \$0 balance by January. Cost is approximately \$1,800-1,900 a set/need four.
- Security system for the firehouse – the contract was signed and install is scheduled for November 19th and 20th. Discussion on location of recorder placement.

New Business

- None.

Commissioner Reports / Discussion

- Deidra –
 - For the website – minutes are posted.
 - Noted that fire numbers not posted, and EMS numbers are posted.
 - Commissioner polo shirts are in the works.
- Dusty –
 - Door kickplates – still in progress. Joe spoke with Steel Sales – need sizing and where holes are to be placed. Need to have ordered/billed by 12/31/2020 for this year's budget.
 - Lighting and electric outlets – lights to be done – need switch plates.
 - Shore line for 2771 – Tim to work on.
 - Tim noted to Dusty that we need heavy duty door stoppers – wedges and flip down kind that can be installed on doors.
- Peter –
 - 2713 onspot chains – waiting for parts. Dusty ordered from Har-Rob.
 - 2713 ground light is out.
 - 2712 spotlight has been fixed.
 - 2761 door being worked on by SFD member Vic Arnone.
 - 2761 tower light discussion and need to repair
 - Truck battery cleaning, replacement, clean out truck compartments – need to be done.
 - Polo shirts – logo is done – need to scale to proper size.

- Bill –
 - Discussion about pagers – hear of issues due to batteries and operator error. Batteries are on order.
 - Noted that charging station is really needed for 2761.
 - Noted continues to get old equipment brought in. Discussion on what to do with the equipment now that we are getting to year end. Auction it as a lot – 1st motion by Deidra, 2nd motion by Bill – none opposed.
 - Discussion about radios, low bands, etc. and how to move forward and that it was important to be able to communicate with Schoharie County. Also discussion about start pulling radios out of the trucks.
 - Update on 911 signs – almost done with installs in the Town of Gilboa. Next year will be doing Town of Harpersfield.
 - Bill noted to Ellen that he will get the voter lists for next month’s election.
- Tim –
 - Building wish list – a few more things to get done.
 - Update on transfer of firehouse from Village to District. There were issues with the title search which caused delays. Should know by end of December + paperwork to do closing.
 - 2711 needs ladder tested to get recertified after the Oorah/Girls Zone fire incident. It’s hard to get the company to come to us for this.
 - Noted that the generator is due for it’s yearly service and asked Dusty to get in touch with TurnKey.
 - VFA Grant – all is here and should be getting \$1,500 from New York State at some point.
 - Further discussion about radios and asked Ryan to get prices. Perhaps there will be some budget money at year end and can start radio project.

Other Business

- Solar panels – nothing to report. **TABLED**
- Reminder for December 2020 – interior list to Kevin + annual claims report to OFPC.
- Ellen noted that we will need to identify a third inspector for this year’s elections.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15p.m.

Respectfully,

Ellen Kennedy
District Secretary