

# STAMFORD JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

## Minutes

March 8, 2022

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 Deidra Hill.

Present were:

Deidra Hill	x	Dusty King	P	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	P	2 <sup>nd</sup> Assistant Fire Chief Joe Hornbeck	x
		Bill Sharick	x	Stamford EMS Chief Ryan Hejnal	x

P – via phone

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Kevin Hull from Reynard Insurance was in attendance this evening to review insurance premiums and coverages, Discussion to increase several truck limits as follows:

. 2009 International	from \$551,250	to \$750,000
. 2002 Freightliner	from \$495,600	to \$600,000
. 2005 HME.EVI	from \$606,375	to \$750,000
. 98 Spartan	from \$1,575,000	to \$2,000,000
. 2018 Tahoe	from \$66,150	to \$70,000

2019 Integrity Cargo trailer	from \$7,524	to \$7,000
2018 Integrity Box trailer	from \$5,789	to \$4,000

Many of the increases were due to the nature of what is happening in the world and the ability to have to replace apparatus at current market rates and materials needed.

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

### **Presentation of Bills**

<b><u>Vendor</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	
Ace Hardware	\$	96.31
Adobe	\$	194.27
AT&T Mobility	\$	229.38
Country Home Security	\$	125.00
Donny Stone	\$	300.00
ESO Solutions	\$	843.42
I Am Responding	\$	660.00
Margaretville Telephone	\$	96.68
Margaretville Telephone	\$	124.58
Mark Powell	\$	500.00
Microsoft	\$	107.99
NYSEG	\$	970.44
NYSIF Workers' Comp	\$	1,898.02
Paraco Gas Corp	\$	781.58
USPS	\$	58.00
WEX Bank	\$	914.55
	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,900.22</b>

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

Lucy asked if it was OK to pay the outstanding MES tank invoice when the airtank comes in. Don will let Bill know when it's OK to pay the invoice.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Account Balances as of March 1, 2022

Checking Account	\$	10,513.82
General Fund Savings	\$	90,227.56
Total General Fund Balance (This balance includes \$4,104.81 remaining from Robinson-Broadhurst Grant)	\$	100,741.38
Apparatus Reserve	\$	80,128.07
Repair Reserve	\$	15,784.72

Tax monies received from Town of Kortright = \$10,340.88

Tax monies received from Town of Gilboa = \$39,267.85

Discussion that we need to be cognizant of the higher prices for fuel.

### **Privilege of the Floor**

No comments at this time.

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

Chief VanEtten – nothing to report at this time.

Ryan –

- Bound Tree supplies - \$521.57 – approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Peter, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Bill – none opposed.
- Light bar for Ryan's new personal vehicle –
  - \$1,497 – River Valley – does not include install
  - \$1,724.50 – KJBL – with install
  - Radio install - \$589.00
  - Use KJBL for all – products + installation – approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Peter – none opposed.
- Discussion about radio mounts on Don's truck – approximately \$30. If mount is acceptable to him to install – approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Peter, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Bill – none opposed.

### **Old Business**

- Clean out and renovation of upstairs office and firehouse – still a work in progress.
- Automatic door closer for upstairs office – needs to be installed.
- KJBL siren project updates – still needs minor tweaking, noon whistle needs to be done as well as switch in the radio room. Need to make sure no water leaks, tidy up the wiring. A line also needs to be run for the button controller.
- SJFD boundaries, calls and coverage - Bill is still working on – nothing to report.
- Mandatory training for SFD – in progress – approximately 50% completed.
- Commissioner training – will discuss at April meeting.
- Stamford/Hobart EMS article has been tabled for now.

### **New Business**

None at this time.

### **Commissioner Reports / Discussion**

- Deidra –
  - Noted that numbers need to be entered and minutes are updated.

- Ryan noted to Deidra that ink cartridges need to be replaced for the office printer.
- Dusty –
  - Noted has quotes coming for the building fire alarm and sprinkler systems.
- Peter –
  - No issues to report with the trucks and all lights seem to be working.
  - Bay door openers need to be installed.
  - No updates on truck battery cleaning/replacements or cleaning truck compartments.
- Bill –
  - Nothing to report on pagers or radios.
  - Old radios and pagers are still upstairs – need to dispose of
  - 911 signs – preparing for Towns of Stamford, Jefferson and Kortright installations.
  - Noted that Lowe’s is not easy to work with regarding the stakes and others should be added to the account – at least Deidra and Tim and the line of credit should be increased. Tim will take care of that.
  - Discussion about setting up an account at Tractor Supply – they might be able to get stakes for the 911 signs. Tim said will set up that account, then Bill said he would go over there and speak with manager.
  - Discussion also about steel prices being very high.
- Tim –
  - Internet service at the firehouse – nothing to update at this time.
  - Transfer of firehouse to the District update – nothing to report.
  - Discussion about the condition of the building roof after last night’s storm. Tim has been working on getting quotes for metal and shingle roofing. Also need to talk about the fascias and soffits which are starting to fall apart.

**Other Business**

- Solar panels – nothing to report. **TABLED**
- Reminder for December 2022 – interior list to Kevin + annual claims report to OFPC.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15p.m.

Respectfully,

Ellen Kennedy  
District Secretary