

TRUMBULL CENTER FIRE DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes
March 2, 2022

Opening:

The regular meeting of the Trumbull Center Fire District was called to order at 7:04pm, by Commissioner Riggs.

Present:

- Pat McCarty, Chairman
- Paul Kurtz, Commissioner (via phone)
- Ed Riggs, Commissioner
- Sandra Mulligan, Tax Collector
- Rich Gregory, Chief
- Dave Tiago, Maintenance
- Paul Ruskay, TVFC Member

A. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

B. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were corrected and unanimously approved as distributed.

C. Budget and Tax Report

The budget and tax reports were reviewed and unanimously accepted as presented.

D. Open Issues and New Business

Pat McCarty:

- Nominations for commissioner positions need to be made in person at the April regular meeting.
- The district is waiting on the live-in program procedures. Chief Gregory will get the information in writing.
- Will need a resolution at the annual meeting in order to proceed with the program.
- The parkway mutual aid agreement has not been changed yet.
- The person who updates the fire reporting is set and up and she has filed all the necessary paperwork.
- There were 2 bank accounts to be closed. The one at People's Bank has been taken care of. The account at Chase is still open and will need to be closed at a different branch.
- Meeting minutes need to be available to the public within 7 days.
- Capital projects for next budget year include; fence/railing around the patio at Station 1, and ceiling insulation and painting in the commission office at Station 2.
- The district attorney was contacted regarding bonding for the following considerations in the future; a ladder truck, SCBA bottles, an addition to Station 2 (storage, a modern weight room, and separate male/female locker rooms), bunk rooms at Station 1, and

updated/reconfigured office, rec room and radio room at Station 1. A rough estimate of the cost is \$4-5 million with a 20 year loan. This type of project would require a substantial time commitment. It would take, at least, a couple of years to start. The district would also need a commitment from the University of New Haven for a certain number of live-ins per semester. A feasibility study would need to be conducted. The cost would be roughly \$50k and should be included in the 2022-2023 budget.

- Upcoming meetings:
 - Budget meetings: March 22nd and April 13th
 - Regular meetings: April 5th and May 4th
 - Annual meeting: May 11th

Dave Tiago:

- Asked for approval to purchase kitchen supplies for Station 2 (not to exceed \$1k). All in favor. APPROVED
- Blitzfire needs to be sent out for assessment/repair.
- A&B will be at Station 2 on Friday to work on wiring near furnace and moving pipe to shower stall. They will also look at what to do with HVAC system at Station 1.
- Asked w would need to work on skylight estimates? Commissioners advised Dave that he may do this. Will be getting quotes on UV protected units.

Ed Riggs:

- Nothing to report.

Paul Kurtz:

- Wondered how often 105 and 102 have gone out on calls. Chief Gregory advised that he will get the numbers.
- Asked about the status of the phone system at Station 1. Chairman McCarty let him know that Dave Tiago sent out the Verizon proposal and it needs to be reviewed.

Rich Gregory:

- He obtained 2 quotes for quarter turn ball valves: \$865 and \$1,230. For safety reasons the valves at the higher cost are preferred. All in favor. APPROVED
- Request made for a Polaris. The cost is \$27k complete (no trailer). It could be available in 2 months. Chairman McCarty advised that if there are funds remaining in the current budget, it can be paid for in full; otherwise it can be partially paid now with the remainder paid in the 2022-2023 budget year. All in favor. APPROVED
- The scanner issue has been sorted out. There is one TVFC analog scanner, 2 TCFD digital scanners and 1 e-dispatch analog scanner.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:52pm by Chairman McCarty. An executive session followed the regular meeting and was adjourned at 9:05pm by Chairman McCarty. The next regular meeting will be at 7:00pm on April 6, 2022 at Station 2.

Minutes submitted by: S Mulligan, Secretary

Approved by: Trumbull Center Fire District Commissioners