

TRUMBULL CENTER FIRE DISTRICT

860 WHITE PLAINS ROAD

TRUMBULL, CONN. 06611



Meeting Minutes September 5, 2023

Opening:

The regular meeting of the Trumbull Center Fire District was called to order at 7:09pm, by Chairman Riggs.

Present:

- Ed Riggs, Chairman
- Alex Relkin, Commissioner
- Tom Dufficy, Commissioner
- Sandra Mulligan, Tax Collector
- Marisa Petriello, Treasurer
- Rich Gregory, Chief
- Dave Tiago, Maintenance

Others in Attendance:

- Kevin Mulligan
- Abby Relkin

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

Ed Riggs:

- Question raised as to who can and cannot look at cameras. Dave responded that the District Commissioners can/should have access.
- Bills will get paid electronically, to reduce the number of checks in circulation. This may be a slow process.
- Tax abatement crease to \$2000 is in the works. Scott is looking at this.

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Alex Relkin:

- Request was made for engine for 911 ride. There may have been some miscommunication. Need to talk to Richie to see if there are concerns with the apparatus. Hopefully he will have an answer tomorrow.
- Would like to list 104 for sale.
- Training truck/engine: \$15K listed with no bids. Bid \$8500 if possible, with a top bid of \$18K. Chief inquired as to what the limit would be for maintenance/repairs.
- \$1400 quote for full aluminum restoration for 104 sale. Consensus was to save the money for anything that may come up for new vehicle.
- Tahoes are in. They have been inspected.
- Request to go into exec session to discuss personnel issue after the meeting.
APPROVED
- Training: asked Chief for update on Polaris training.
- Gator and trailer: plans for it? Chief suggests seeing if Nichols would like to house it.
- 100: LED conversion went well.
- 102 A/C issues: EJ Boughton will need to handle, if it continues. Commissioners advise to leave it as it is right now and to look into at a later date.

Tom Dufficy:

- Phone lines: Will get rid of them when new system is fully up and running.

Dave Tiago:

- Confirmed T1 lines
- Asked if the Frontier bill was signed. Commissioners said it was.
- Advised that there may be a way, through Outlook, to send faxes. Will look into it.
- Station 2 is entirely set up with fiber.
- Permission requested to cut Spectrum cable w/in a couple of days. APPROVED
Need Chief to discuss this with membership.
- ERV: \$45982 for each vehicle (2). 2004 Tahoe trade in value is \$5000, 2014 has a \$10K trade-in value. Will need a PO and vehicles could probably be picked up this week. Dave will arrange for time to transition vehicles.
- Radios for new Tahoes.
- Electrical/light issue with truck.
- Nick requested a new phone, within guidelines. Needs commissioner approval.
APPROVED
- Cell phone and ERV policy sent to Chief.
- ERV2: needs service and tires.
- 100: needs 2 tires.
- 107: needs tires. Recommend all terrain tires.
- 104: alternator is on the way. September 15 ETA.

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- Emily is working on phone system.
- Station 1: toilets do not flush well. Would like to get quote for toilets and urinal (piping). APPROVED
- Workstations got hacked. The issue has been fixed. Station computer lease is almost up. We can buy the system or replace HD with SSD and increase RAM. Will get pricing. Commissioners are leaning towards keeping and upping the RAM.
- Skylight at Station 1: Sent email to commissioners but did not get a response. A company has quoted \$19.5K for skylight and \$8.5K for labor. This is a savings of \$3K over the previous company. Will need to get PO.
- Quotes for new floor machines for Station 1 of \$10.2K. Not advised to transport between stations. iMop quote, \$3k. Possibly get one for Station 2 at a later date.
- Station 1 building accident: Presented report regarding incident. Need to get it to the insurance adjuster.
- Called insurance. They will take care of contact.
- Need to talk to Company Officers about Storm prep.

Rich Gregory:

- Gear: short cycle some gear. Some discussion about changing vendors.
- PO regarding 3 helmets? 3 different helmets to demo/field test.
- ERV 3 needs new CO meter. \$500 to replace.
- Inquired regarding fire tax abatement for members. Commissioners will reach out to district attorney.
- Potential cooperation with Bridgeport Fire Departments, in case of emergencies.
- ERV and cell policies: question regarding age restriction of 21. Commissioners will call insurance company to confirm/verify regulations. Question re: Transportation of non-district prop. Would like rewording. Who can ride in district vehicle? What form of discipline would be carried out and by whom? Commissioners would let Chief know of any incidents and Chief would discipline members as needed/necessary. Cell phone policy: reword regarding permission of personal phone use.
- Need temporary space for storm issues.

Kevin Mulligan:

- Recommend using Norcom for radios since they are under warranty.

Marisa Petriello:

- Check received and deposited from Toll Brothers. Payment for 39 Enclave.
- Need credit card receipts from E Levine.

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Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 9:37pm by Chairman Riggs. An Executive Session immediately followed and was adjourned at 9:58pm. The next regular meeting will be at 7:00pm on October 4, 2023, at Station 2.

Minutes submitted by: S Mulligan, Secretary

Approved by: Trumbull Center Fire District Commissioners