

MINUTES OF THE 862nd BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, January 6, 2015

President Rob Shillington called the meeting to order at 19:02 hours.

Board Members present were: J. Barton, J. Boullie, J. DiPace, M. Galliher, J. Kowalczyk, R. Mansfield, H. Reeser, Rob Shillington, Rich Shillington, R. Solari and M. Trick.

Other Members Present: Matt Caron, Adam Corrado, Aaron Gelber, Susan Jansen, Jerry Kaswer and Robert Theriault

Oaths of Office were administered by Jamie DiPace to the following new Board Members: Jean Barton, Michael Galliher and Ramona Mansfield

Members Comments: None

Board Member Comments: Jamie DiPace wanted to commend Assistant Chief Kline and Jay McCaffrey for a great job reprogramming all the radios. It was a time consuming job to get them all done in a timely manner. Jamie would like the Board to approve a \$150.00 Recognition Award for them. This will be taken up under New Business.

Minutes of the 861st Board Meeting minutes - Approved.

Company Representative Reports: No Reports

Committee Executive: Ramona Mansfield No Report

Secretary Report: Jean Barton

- Jean Barton presented thank you notes, donations and other correspondences.

Treasurer's Report: Joe Kowalczyk

- Corporate Budget – Joe moved \$50,000 from the Cash Reserve to the Live Burn Training Facility. This was voted and approved by the Board at the December 2, 2014 Board meeting.
- Budget – 6 months trends is \$26,000 under what was spent last year for the same time period. There is also an increase of \$20,000 from last year's budget. As the spring comes more tests will be done along with some other big ticket items will be purchased.

Town Representative: Jamie DiPace

- Donations for the Live Burn Training Facility are going well. We received a check for \$20,000 from UTC Carrier Corporation. Any donations that come in starting at the end of December will be put towards the Live Burn Training Facility.
- Planning a reception with the Town of Farmington for end of January for possible donors. Need some names of possible donors. The reception will take place at the Farmington Club on January 28th.
- Will be working with the Town Attorney on how to give the money we have received for the Live Burn Training Facility to the town.
- Community Club has asbestos in it so Bruce Williams will help Bill Ferrigno with handling the demolition. We have get everything out of there before this can happen. The lot there is 1 ½ acres. There is a real estate agent that is willing to sell it for us for no commission.

Chief's Report: Chief Trick

- Next 2 weeks going to take a couple of companies over to Zoo Fitness to do some fitness training.
- State Police Lt. Paul Vance will be at the next Chiefs' meeting. Chief will let the officers know.
- Some Goals for 2015 are:
 - New Recruitment process – Will bring this program to the Board when he has it worked out
 - Disciplinary Program – Will revamp the system.
 - Completing the Ops Manual
 - Will try to get more educational opportunities at the officers' meetings.
- Ladder 12 had a close encounter with the building at Company 3. Need to have better training on backing up and getting out of the bays.
- Both chassis have been ordered. Plans should be on the way. Will have Bruce Appell talk to the company about getting them.

Old Business:

- **EMS Presentation: Jeremy Kaswer**
 - Sent out the proposal to all Board members.
 - Board was impressed with the information that Jeremy put together. The Board told Jeremy the next step would be to present a proposal to the police department to see if they are on board with this.
 - Chief Trick and Captain Corrado will help Jeremy with the proposal for the police department.
 - Jeremy suggested that the department start the program on weekends only at first. He does have some names of members who are interested in being in the program. There are 18 certified EMTs
 - Jeremy's projected cost for startup is \$15,000 for expendable supplies, points for calls, personnel equipment.

New Business:

- Bonus Points – Building/Facility Representative. After some discussion it was decided to do a review and see if this should be fixed. Need a report for the last 12 months on Extra Time Sheets for the members with the most time put in on projects.
- Mack Garage – Will need to get quotes for fixing the holes in the ceiling and other repairs to the building before getting a new door. Will need 2 more quotes for the door. Need to get quotes for heating system. Rich Shillington and Michael Galliher will look into whether the Mack Garage is an historical building and if so if we could qualify for a grant from the state. Jean Barton will work with Robert Theriault to get more quotes for a new door.
- With a motion by Rich Shillington and seconded by Ramona Mansfield to bring under new business the Recognition Award to Assistant Chief Kline and Jay McCaffrey of \$150.00. Motion was approved. A second motion was made by Rich Shillington and seconded by Ramona Mansfield to approve this Recognition Award. This motion was approved.

Adjourned at 20:37. (GB)