

## MINUTES OF THE 863<sup>rd</sup> BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, February 3, 2015

President Rob Shillington called the meeting to order at 19:03 hours.

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

**Other Members Present:** Dennis Bianchi, Matt Caron and Robert Theriault

**Members Comments:** None

### **Board Member Comments:**

- Ramona brought a request from Captain Speich requesting \$1,000 for pots and pans, dishes, cups and cooking utensils. This will be brought up under New Business.
- Ramona brought to the attention of the Board that at Company 2 the cleaning crew is not doing a good job cleaning and they are not taking out the trash. Also the trash company is not taking care of picking up the outside trash.
- Town Council meeting is this Thursday at 7:00 pm. They will be discussing the Live Burn Training Facility.

Minutes of the 862<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting minutes - Approved.

### **Company Representative Reports: No Reports**

#### **Committee Executive: Ramona Mansfield**

- Ops Manual/AOG's Conversion – The Chief will have his officers look at the line part of the manual and Ramona will meet with Rob Shillington to look over the section that the Board is responsible for.

#### **Secretary Report: Jean Barton**

- No report

#### **Treasurer's Report: Joe Kowalczyk**

- 1099 were sent out to any members that made over \$600. E-filed the 1099. Joe had the 990 extended. It was due on 4/15, but extended to 10/15
- Corporate – Donations are down due to putting donations received towards the Live Burn Training Facility. The Corporation has \$240,000, but \$120,000 is ear marked for the Live Burn Training Facility
- Budget – We are \$75,000 under budget from the same time last year.

#### **Town Representative: Jamie DiPace**

- Brandon sent out his budget reductions
- Fire Prevention Poster Contest – Laura from Wardcom took pictures of the winner. She will publish the pictures.
- Live Burn Training Facility – Will be going out to bid in 2 weeks for the building. Asking Connecticut Water Company to run the water main as an in-kind service.
- Bruce Williams will work on getting in-kind services
- Both town managers were working on an agreement for the Live Burn Training Facility. Brandon will bring this agreement to the Town Council and Jamie feels this should be approved.
- The reception that was going to take place for the Live Burn Training Facility was postponed due to weather and is rescheduled for April.
- Received a report that there is asbestos in the building at 511 W. Avon Rd. It will cost roughly \$11,000 to have this removed.
- Will have to look at disposing of the building materials once the building is taken down. Hoping the town can take care of this.

### **Chief's Report: Chief Trick**

- Making progress on OPS manual I have to parcel out sections for officers to review.
- Fitness initiative was snowed out on both occasions. I believe someone has some great connections.
- We are exploring the replacement of C-17. The town said the further expenditure of money is a waste.
- Medical officer has reported that 70 members are not in compliance with the medical requirement for a physical. An email went out to those individuals.
- I wish to thank Grace and Rob for the help to get the budget cover letter completed and to the town.
- Response to overnight calls has been very low. I'm not sure what is needed but it will be a topic of discussion at the next officer meeting.
- We had a good turnout for the "Blizzard" last week. We had a few folks at Co. 1 and 3 yesterday. Conditions were far worse yesterday. Will they ever get it correct?
- We had an issue with photographers at the Farmington Woods fire. I spoke to him and we have come to a process of accountability.
- Practice stair climb this Saturday. Need more people for the team.

### **Fundraising: Dennis Bianchi**

- Will be doing another golf tournament. This will take place Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>. Still looking for more people to help out,
- The 2015 fundraising letter campaign letter will be changed and sent to the Board for their approval.
- Farmington Woods Wine Tasting – This will take place on April 24<sup>th</sup>. We just have to have members sell tickets. There will be a couple of raffles. One will be a 50/50.
- The library is having a function on April 18<sup>th</sup> and they have asked us if we want to sell hot dogs. Dennis will put an email out asking for a cooking team and other people to help that day.

### **Old Business:**

- Bonus Points and Points Reimbursement – Ramona Mansfield made a motion with Joe Kowalczyk seconding to table this discussion until next month's board meeting so that more information can be gathered. Motion passed.
- Explorers – The same advisors can stay and Ramona will talk to Matt Caron and Theresa Keefe to find out if they will continue.
- New Stove for Co. 2. Bob Theriault got a price from Avon Appliance for \$1,200. He will check to see if this price is still good.

### **New Business:**

- Company Board Reps
  - Co. 1 – Harvey Reeser
  - Co. 2 – Rick Solari
  - Co. 3 – Ramona Mansfield
  - Co. 4 – Mike Galliher
  - Fire Police – Jean Barton
  - HQ – Rich Shillington