

MINUTES OF THE 864th BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, March 3, 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: Aaron Gelber, Nick Shillington, Mitchell Pastizzo and Matt Caron

Members Comments: None

Board Member Comments:

- Harvey Reeser- Brought up the Corn Beef dinner for Monday's Corporation meeting. He will be purchasing and preparing for this meal.
- Jamie DiPace- Legislative Bill hoping to pass with the Cancer Building to help protect the presumption of cancer received on fire fighter duties. Also reorganizing State of CT EMS board, looking to reorganize its number of members.
- Ramona Mansfield - met with Captain Speich at Co. 3, he will construct up an itemized list of the pots and pans that are needed. Also the kitchen is looking like it will need to be replaced soon. Still problems of the stairwell with ice dams on the inside it appears to be leaking in the bay coming through the concrete as well. Will discuss with Bob Theriault and request the Town to do something regarding this continuing problem.
- Rich Shillington- We need to get back to a strategic plan to build up a committee group. Will send out another e-mail of when the meeting will be at the end of the month.

Minutes of the 863rd Board Meeting minutes were approved with a word correction. Ramona Mansfield made a motion and Jean Barton seconded.

Secretary Report: Jean Barton

- No report

Treasurer's Report: Joe Kowalczyk

- Corporate – Cash is consistent month over month, all donations from November 1 through today are being put towards the Live Burn Training Facility. Current cash is \$233k with \$121k owed towards the Live Burn Training Facility. Through February 25th, Corporate is running a \$12k loss due to donations that have come in being put towards the Live Burn Fund and the fundraising letter yet to be finalized.
- Budget – Big month of expenses on the Budget. Still trending under prior year by \$13k. This coupled with a \$33k increase puts us \$46k ahead of the prior period.
- Town AUP draft report was issued. Issues were outlined to the Board and Joe will be meeting with Town's Finance Director Peggy Colligan on understanding and vetting the comments.

Town Representative: Jamie DiPace

- VFIS policy renew, now is the time to do so.
- Ever bridge system, new system to look into. It notifies staff of important messages has to be acknowledged that you received the message. The Town already uses this, system, would like to go over this with President Rob Shillington and Chief Mike Trick, if this is something we could use.
- Live Burn Building pushing onward preparing bid specs. Town of Farmington Town Council didn't like the agreement so the member made a motion for his vote to be tabled. His concern is if the 2 Town Managers can't decide on an issue an agreement needs to be set in place on how this should be settled.
- 55 Darling Drive OFS Company creates fiber optic cable, material is at extreme temperatures, it was cut off and landed into garbage, that is what started the fire in the garbage can.
- We will work in conjunction with Tunxis to do a fundraising wine tasting event at Farmington Woods at the end of April. Benefits will go towards the Live Burn building.

Committee Report: Ramona Mansfield

- Emma-Lee Baldwin and Ramona Mansfield did the stair climb in New Haven, CT, both finished, it went very well.
- Hartford stair climb April 25th, please participate on the AVFD team.

- OPS- officers and Board members were assigned sections to review and make changes, the due date goal is April 1st.
- Trying to get membership committee going again to evaluate the people we have on our lists, but have not been active.

Chief's Report: Chief Trick

- Alarm time {1/1/14~ 12/31/14} incidents our busiest time of day is 08:00-17:00, the busiest day is Mondays, common alarm type is a false alarm. Response is dismal still pursuing the reason for this.
- Doc had an EMS system brainstorming system to approach the town; we have to reach out to the Chief of Police to get thoughts rolling.
- Need to get physicals completed, Doc met with HHCMG to have extended hours available for members to have them completed.
- Insurance VFIS VIN #'s and year of vehicles making sure everything matches up correctly.
- Friday April 3rd Good Friday Blood Drive at Co. 1

Old Business:

- Bonus Points and Points Reimbursement – Ramona Mansfield made a motion and Joe Kowalczyk seconded to table this discussion until next month's board meeting so that more information can be gathered.
- Explorers – Ramona Mansfield- an e-mail was sent out soliciting new advisors, but it was determined to keep current advisors all have had appropriate training, background checks and have done an excellent job. Thank everyone for the work they have put towards this group, had a recruitment drive at AHS 6 members leaving, but gained 6 more.
- 2015 Fundraising letter- Rick Solari made some suggestions, levels of donation recognition should be evaluated. Grace and Jamie worked on a sticker to hand out along with thank you letters ... is still in a working progress.
- Community Club- Received 3 bids to raze the building; the lowest one was \$11,429 hopefully contractor is willing to remove debris once Dcon can go to the landfill still waiting for approval. Joe Kowalczyk made a motion to have the building abated and Harvey Reeser seconded.

New Business:

- Car 17 replacement - Mike Trick Car 17 is still at the dealership waiting for final decision. The Town doesn't want to invest any more money into it, so pursuing a suitable replacement for the dept.
- Ramona made a motion to talk about Peter Buonome's e-mail Rich Shillington seconded it -possible housing for fire department members what it entails, topic will be brought up at the Corporation meeting.

Rich Shillington made a motion to go into Executive Session: this was seconded by Ramona Mansfield. Went into Executive Session at 20:50 and came out at 21:05

Adjourned at 21:09 (KC)