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APPROVED
SIMSBURY FIRE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2017

President Wilcox called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Members present were: G. Wilcox, Dan Coppinger, P. Pabich, J. Solury, G. Giddings, J. Smith, T. Zeilman. Also attending was Chief J. Baldis. Fire Marshal K. Kowalski.

1. It was moved; seconded; and carried that the minutes of the August 2017 meeting be approved as distributed earlier by email. A copy of the report is on file.
2. Public Audience: None
3. Fire Marshal Report – K. Kowalski: The report for the month of August 2017 as distributed earlier by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
4. Fire Chief Report – J. Baldis: The report for the month of August 2017, as distributed earlier by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
5. District Treasurer Report – P. Pabich: Reports as presented during the August 2017 meeting were reviewed and ratified. Copies of the reports are on file.

Amount identified for Credit Card Services account, will be presented as a subset in the future.

6. District Commissioner's Report – G. Giddings: None
7. District Maintenance Report – J. Baldis: The report for the month of August 2017, as distributed earlier by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
8. District Chief of Administration Report – K. Kowalski: The report for the month of August 2017, as distributed earlier by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.

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9. Personnel Committee – D. Coppinger: An inquiry was made concerning dispatchers uniforms. Currently a tee shirt is available and no change is seen for the future. Currently only some wear them.

Shirts ordered for retention and recruitment are given to new members as they come in. A request was made thru Facebook secret list for shirts for Texas FD. Shirts in inventory were sent as requested.

10. Civil Preparedness – K. Kowalski: Exercises are being planned with Mclean Home and another one with Ensign Bickford.

11. Correspondence – G. Wilcox: None

12. Unfinished Business: Labels for the first two sets of hallway photos are in place. The cost for this project has been revised from \$4500.00 to \$3900.00. The cost for the remaining six sets will be \$2800.00 or \$450.00 each.

The digitizing issue was brought up at the August Fire Company monthly meeting by Ken Beliveau. The Company voted to split the cost with the District. The \$1000.00 the District appropriated from last year's budget needs to be used so as it can be removed from the books.

A request for a new camera was made. This will be considered in next year's budget.

The proposal made by Chief J. Baldis in June to purchase from the Connecticut Fire Academy a used engine pumper to ultimately benefit the Hartford County Fire School came to fruition this month. We purchased it for \$100.00 and will sell it to the Hartford County Fire School for \$101.00. The truck is a 1997 KME 4door cab. with 7953 miles. Documents were signed at the meeting and will be finalized soon.

13. New Business: The Simsbury Fire District Volunteer Pension Policy was discussed. The document discovered had never been signed. A motion was made and adopted to accept the policy as amended.

The rate proposal to increase salaries for private jobs will be discussed at next month's meeting. This increase will take effect in January 2018.

President Gary Wilcox thanked all that helped at last month's fire company monthly meeting serving dinner.

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Information concerning the deferred compensation plan with VSIF for new personnel will be discussed at next month's meeting.

Setup for the fire truck at Rotary Park will take place on Saturday the 16th of September.

During the drill at Westminster issues were discovered concerning ventilation equipment we currently use. Further review discovered that equipment was not the only issue. Additional training was found to be needed. A committee was established to investigate new saws that may assist in this operation. Chain saw designs were investigated with several types being reviewed. A saw made by Tempest was selected at a cost of \$2000.00 each.

14. Executive Session: None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John Solury Sr.
Clerk

Next Regular Meeting: October 10th, 2017 (Note this is a Tuesday)