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APPROVED
SIMSBURY FIRE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 14th, 2020

This meeting was broadcast live to the public on WSIM
105.5 LPFM

President Gary Wilcox called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Members present were: G. Wilcox, D. Coppinger, P. Pabich, G. Giddings, J Smith, and T Zeilman. Also attending was Chief J. Baldis and Fire Marshal P Tourville, Emergency Director M. Berry. J. Solury was excused.

Guests were Deputy Chief Kevin Kowalski and Captain Todd Meyers.

1. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the minutes of the August 10th Regular Meeting 2020 be approved as distributed earlier by email. A copy of the report is on file.
2. Public Audience: None
3. Fire Marshall Report – P. Tourville: The report for the month of August 2020, as distributed 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 2020, as distributed by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
5. District Treasurer Report – P. Pabich: Reports as distributed for the September 2020 meeting was approved and ratified. Copies of these reports are on file.
6. District Commissioner's Report – G. Giddings: No Report
7. District Maintenance Report – J. Baldis: The report for the month of August 2020, as distributed by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
8. Director of Administration Report – J. Baldis: The report for the month of August 2020, as distributed by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.

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9. Personnel Committee – D. Coppinger: Vice President Dan Coppinger addressed the requirement that all employers with three employees or more are required to conduct sexual harassment training. The deadline for completion has been extended until January 2021 because of the pandemic. Free online resources that satisfy the state requirement have been identified. President Gary Wilcox noted that former Fire Company and Fire District Officer Jim Fleming was awarded the Hometown Hero award.
10. Civil Preparedness – M. Berry: The report for the month of August 2020, as distributed by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
11. Correspondence – Gary Wilcox: Received a thank you letter from retired Fire Marshal Kevin Kowalski for the gift from the Fire District.
12. Unfinished Business: A meeting took place with the Board of Selectmen subcommittee on the tax abatements. We discussed the proposed tax abatement plan and agreed that the plan would be presented to the Board of Selectmen at the meeting later in September.

The MOU submitted to the town regarding the radio tower was discussed. The ongoing question concerning the maintenance cost sharing has not been finalized yet. The majority of the other language was agreeable to Melissa.

Captain Todd Meyers and Deputy Chief Kevin Kowalski gave a demonstration of the NFORS incident and exposure data analysis and visualization tool.

Deputy Chief Kevin Kowalski gave a brief update on the plan for the VFW ceremonial flag burning area at the District facility in Weatogue.

13. New Business: A discussion took place with Melissa from Town Hall about virtual meeting procedures. The selectmen will continue to have Zoom meeting that are broadcast on community TV. It is acceptable to move to in person meeting so long as fewer than 25 people – Exec. Committee members plus public audience – are in attendance. We will move to in person meetings in the main station training room next month.
14. Executive Session: None
15. Meeting adjourned at 7:49pm

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Solury Sr.
Clerk

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The meeting identified below is subject to current state regulations regarding gatherings.

Next Regular Meeting: October 13th, 2020 at 7:00

NOTE: THIS IS A TUESDAY