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APPROVED
SIMSBURY FIRE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
FEBRUARY 13TH, 2017

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

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

1. It was moved; seconded; and carried that the minutes of the January 2017 meeting be approved as distributed earlier by email. A copy of the report is on file.
2. Public Audience: Mr. Richard Driscoll attended the meeting. He stated his intention was to listen and learn.
3. Fire Marshal Report – K .Kowalski: The report for the month of January 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 January 2017, as distributed earlier by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
5. District Treasurer Report – P. Pabich: Report for the month of January 2017, was presented. Commissioner Jeff Giddings requested clarification on several bills, all were answered satisfactorily. The report was ratified into the record. A copy of the report is on file. The reserve balance will be emailed.
6. District Commissioner's Report – G. Giddings: Received four (4) bids for Replacement Rescue 15. Apparent low bidder was GOWANS-KNIGHT. All bids will be reviewed and qualified prior to awarding contract. Total costs for both trucks is still within what was budgeted.
7. District Maintenance Report – J. Baldis: The report for the month of January 2017, as distributed earlier by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.

Gear washing and drying equipment was discussed. Current dryers in stations are intended for hose and not gear but can be retrofitted to accommodate both. Extractors, which are recommended for gear washing are

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not available in all stations. Those stations will be upgraded to extractors when existing equipment needs replacing.

8. District Chief of Administration Report – K. Kowalski: The report for the month of January 2017, as distributed earlier by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.

Applied for Civil Management Preparedness grant for this year and reimbursement for last year.

9. Personnel Committee – G. Wilcox for D. Coppinger: Attended Company retention and recruitment meeting. This is a work in progress activity.
10. Civil Preparedness – K. Kowalski: Activity with last two storms did not require activation of Town EOC.

Super Load that will be coming through town was delayed due to storm. Possibility that it will be next weekend with a possible layover at the old Nissan location at the north end of town. The move is scheduled for overnight timeframe.

11. Correspondence – G. Wilcox: A thankyou letter was received from The National WWII Museum for the contribution in memory of Dorothy I Baldis.
12. Unfinished Business: The hallway photos project is progressing.

The playscape firetruck was discussed. Meeting scheduled for Wednesday with town. A presentation and all required paperwork is in process. A meeting will be arranged with the Rotary to discuss project.

Mail boxes have been rearranged. Keys will be coming.

13. New Business: Tariffville property was discussed. Property is back on market. District's position at this time is not to pursue any further action.

Fire Marshal K Kowalski will be honored and elected into the Connecticut State Firefighters Association Hall of Fame on April 6th at the Aqua Turf in Southington Ct. Tickets are \$40. Motion made and seconded to purchase up to 8 tickets for District personnel.

Commissioner J. Smith attended the Company Safety Committee meeting. The deer on ice scenario was discussed. It was agreed that actions as

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conducted were correct with no firefighters placed in danger. Once the women was put on the ice if required we would have reacted.

Nominating Committee for the Annual Meeting was discussed. President Wilcox spoke to Kristen Kelly who will head the committee with Commissioner J. Giddings being the District representative.

Preliminary budget was discussed. The grand list reduction was discussed. Approximate 35,000 dollars reduction will be seen this year with a recovery next year.

Very positive comments have been received concerning the Awards Dinner. A letter will be sent to The Riverview thanking them for a great night.

14. Executive Session: Regular meeting was suspended at 7:59 pm to go into Executive Session with Regular meeting being reconvened at 8:30 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John J Solury Sr.
Clerk

Next Regular Meeting: March 13th, 2017