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APPROVED
SIMSBURY FIRE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 11th, 2019

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

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

1. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the minutes of the February 2019 meeting be approved as distributed earlier by email. A copy of the report is on file.
2. Public Audience: Mr. Jay Dixon and Mr. Richard Driscoll addressed the District position concerning recent SVFC By Law changes.
3. Fire Marshall Report – K. Kowalski: The Report for the month of February 2019, 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 February 2019, 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 March 2019 meeting were 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 February 2019, as distributed 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 February 2019, as distributed earlier by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
9. Personnel Committee – D. Coppinger: No Report
10. Civil Preparedness – K Kowalski: No Report

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11. Correspondence: Thank you received from Chief of Administration K. Kowalski.
12. Unfinished Business: Hallway photos for the 80's are on the wall. Photo's for the 90's which consist of 9 notebooks are being reviewed and many are in black and white. The committee is looking for anybody that may know of any photos that may be in color.

Tax abatement change status on hold until Town completes their budget activities.

Career Employment Pension was discussed with the auditors. Actuary discussion tabled until next month.

Nothing new concerning the VSIF/Losap issue. Attempt will be made to contact necessary parties in order to gain information for next month's meeting.

The 2019/2020 budget was tabled. Finalization and approval will take place next month.

An update from the 75th Anniversary committee discussed a challenge coin as the item to be given by the District. There were two coins presented, one from Symbol Arts in Ogden, Utah and another from Ct. Advertising, Windsor Locks Ct. A consensus was made to choose the coin from Ct. Advertising which is like coins purchased in the past. A quantity of 200 will be purchased with delivery in June which is the actual anniversary month.

A motion was made by Commissioner Giddings and seconded by clerk Solury to purchase the 200 bronze coins from Ct. Advertising for delivery in June.

Further discussions will take place next month concerning additional items (wine glass/ T- shirt) to be presented during the 75th celebration.

President Wilcox further discussed the District position concerning the recent SVFC By Law changes as explained in letter dated February 22, 2019 to SVFC President Steve Petrella. Particular attention was given to the change to residency requirement of 1 mile from town boundaries. More discussion with the SVFC will be solicited in ways to acquire additional members without harming relationships with neighboring towns. This rejection was extensively discussed at last month's meeting and unanimously agreed upon by all District members. President G. Wilcox will approach the SVFC and suggest members come to the District for further discussions concerning this matter. If SVFC elects to resubmit this change it was suggested that the

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company send representatives to discuss the actual change, reason and thought process.

Chief J. Baldis stated that the SVFC Executive committee will be meeting this Wednesday. President G, Wilcox will contact SVFC President Steve Petrella to ask if representation from the District is needed.

13. New Business: An FOI request was made for information concerning Email's sent between Chief J. Baldis and 1st Assistant Chief Patrick Tourville. President G. Wilcox requested all information be forwarded as requested.
14. Executive Session: Regular meeting was suspended at 8:00pm and resumed at 8:27.
15. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Solury Sr.
Clerk

Next Regular Meeting: April 8th, 2019