

SIMSBURY FIRE DISTRICT

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SIMSBURY FIRE DISTRICT BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING SIMSBURY MAIN STATION 195 HOPMEADOW STREET MARCH 23rd, 2022 MINUTES

Attendees: President Gary Wilcox, Vice President Dan Coppinger, Treasurer Peter Pabich, Clerk John Solury, Commissioner's Geoff Giddings and Hugh Caldwell, Chief of Administration James Baldis.

- 1: Call to order: President Gary Wilcox called the workshop to order at 6:00pm**
- 2: Public Audience: None**
- 3: Workshop to Develop the 2022/2023 Simsbury Fire District Annual Budget: The following assumptions were presented:**
 - 1) 5.9 % Cola, Salary increase**
 - 2) Expected inflation increase especially energy**
 - 3) Continue funding frozen LOSAP**
 - 4) First payment on New Volunteer Benefit Plan, Gap payment.**
 - 5) First 4 payments into Volunteer Benefit Program for members not in LOSAP with less than 5 years.**
 - 6) Workmen's Comp. and Insurance increases.**
 - 7) Health insurance increase (4%)**
 - 8) EMD cost, annualized.**
 - 9) Fire Protection (water) rate increase 6%**
 - 10) Grand List increase 3.72%**
 - 11) Minimal interest on cash to continue**
 - 12) Ambulance reimbursement 0**

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- 13) Collection rate 98.5%**
- 14) Cellular increase to remain.**
- 15) Engine replacement schedule:**
 - a. Engine 3 (24/25 timeframe)**
 - b. Rescue 14 (25/26 timeframe)**
 - c. Tanker 9 (26/27 timeframe)**

4: Questions and Answers: None

5: Adjournment: 7:25 pm

John J Solury Sr., Clerk