

**SIMSBURY FIRE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
June 10, 2013**

1. President North called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.
2. Members present were: K. North; J. Fleming; P. Pabich; W. Ketchabaw; D. Hayes; and G. Wilcox. Also attending were Fire Chief J. Baldis and Fire Marshal K. Kowalski. Regrets: D. Fagone. Guest: J. Solury.
3. Due to an email distribution error, approval of the May 13, 2013 meeting minutes was deferred to the July meeting.
4. Public Audience: None.
5. Fire Marshal Report- K. Kowalski: The report for the month of May 2013 as distributed earlier by email was accepted. A copy of the report is on file. Kevin highlighted the planned Homeland Security exercise scheduled for June 20th.
6. Fire Chief Report – J. Baldis: The report for the month of May 2013 as distributed via email was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
7. District Treasurer Report – P. Pabich: It was moved, seconded, and carried that the financial reports be approved for invoices paid through June 10, 2013. A copy of the report is on file.
8. District Commissioners Report – D. Hayes/J. Baldis: Commissioner Hayes had no report to present. The Maintenance Division Project report prepared by J. Baldis as of June 1, 2013 was accepted with no major items discussed.
9. Personnel Committee – J. Fleming: K. Kowalski reported that seven applications have been received for the posted and advertised position currently filled by Starr Scully who will be retiring on September 1, 2013. The committee formed to review the applications will meet following the June 10, 2013 Executive meeting to narrow the selection process and to initiate the interview process.
10. Civil Preparedness: K. Kowalski: Nothing to report.
11. Correspondence: K. Kowalski reported that he had received correspondence from Verizon and that a lease will be forthcoming for installation of a repeater station on the tower at the Bushy Hill station. Siting Council approval and Fire District approval will be required.
12. Old Business: None.

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13. New Business:

President North extended appreciation to retiring Vice President Jim Fleming for his many years of dedicated service to the Fire District.

Kevin Kowalski commented on his June 3rd distribution to the District Executive of a proposed water rate increase application by Aquarion to PURA of 9.5% to be effective September 13, 2013. If approved there is a potential budget impact of approximately \$20,000 to the 2013/2014 District budget. Due to a proposed 19% rate increase to private fire protection that will impact hydrant lines or automatic sprinklers for commercial properties, condominiums, apartment buildings, etc., Kevin has made the proposal available to the Simsbury Chamber of Commerce for their assessment. A public hearing for the proposal is scheduled for July 8th.

14. Executive Session: It was moved; seconded; and carried to enter Executive Session at 7:24 pm to discuss a personnel matter. Executive session adjourned at 7:37 pm.

15. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted

W. C. Ketchabaw
Clerk

Next meeting: July 8, 2013