

**SIMSBURY FIRE DISTRICT**  
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**APPROVED**  
**SIMSBURY FIRE DISTRICT**  
**MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

Vice President Dan Coppinger called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

The members' present were G. Wilcox, D. Coppinger, P. Pabich, J. Solury, G. Giddings, H. Caldwell, M. Paine. Also attending was Chief J. Baldis.

1. A motion was made, seconded, and accepted that the minutes of the August 14<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting as distributed earlier by email. A copy of this report is on file.
2. Public Audience: None
3. Fire Marshal Report – P. Tourville: The report for the month of August 2023, as distributed by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
4. Fire Chief Report – Chief J. Baldis: The report for the month of August 2023, as distributed by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
5. District Maintenance/Administration Reports – J. Baldis: The reports for the month of August 2023, as distributed by email, were accepted. Copies of the reports are on file.  
  
Lighting strikes were taken at both Tariffville on August 18 and the Main House today. Both facilities suffered damage to computer systems.
6. District Commissioner's Report – G. Giddings: Engine 3 replacement process has begun. 4Guys was at the Main House today and a discussion was had with them. A more than two-year delivery is being forecasted.
7. Civil Preparedness Report – M. Berry: Reports for the months of July and August 2023 were received late on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Report for the month of September as distributed by email, was accepted. Copies of the reports are on file.
8. District Treasurer Report – P. Pabich: Reports distributed for the September 2023 meeting were approved and ratified. Copies of these reports are on file.
9. Personnel Committee – D. Coppinger: Nothing substantial to report.

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10. Correspondence – G. Wilcox: None
11. Unfinished Business: Building Permit MOU with the town was approved at tonight's town meeting. It will become effective October 1<sup>st</sup>. This will only be applicable for commercial and multi-family construction with a fee of \$5 dollars per thousand.

Cell tower discussions are still on going.

12. New Business: A discussion took place concerning Town of Simsbury guidelines for business abatements and it was noted that while the agreements for two businesses state that the abatements would not affect the Fire District taxes there was a clerical error in both cases that resulted in reduced Simsbury Fire District taxes billed and collected. A recent discussion with the tax department determined that an administrative or procedural change will correct the problem going forward. A motion was made and passed that the Simsbury Fire District would not look to bill for those back taxes and letters of explanation would go out to those businesses.

The following motion was made and approved:

We will not bill for back taxes due to recent town accounting errors with the understanding that the town will correct these accounting errors going forward.

13. Executive Session: None
14. Meeting adjourned by President Gary Wilcox at 7:57pm

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Solury Sr.  
Clerk

**Next Regular Meeting: OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup> 2023 (NOTE: THIS IS A TUESDAY)**