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APPROVED
SIMSBURY FIRE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
AUGUST 10th, 2026, 7:00PM
MAIN STATION
871 HOPMEADOW STREET

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

The members' present were G. Wilcox, D. Coppinger, P. Gilbert, J. Solury, G. Bascetta, G. Giddings, H. Caldwell, K. Ouimette. M. Pearce-Bristol and Chief T. Myers were excused.

1. A motion was made, seconded, and accepted that the minutes of July 13th, 2026, 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 July 2026, as distributed by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
4. Fire Chief Report – T. Myers: The report for the month of July 2026, as distributed by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
5. District Treasurer Report – G. Bascetta: Report distributed for August 2026 meeting was approved and ratified.

Budget Transfers were reviewed and approved. Copies of these reports are on file.

6. District Commissioner's Report – G. Giddings: In Matt's absence Geoff gave his report on the drill tower progress. We are scheduled for the September Zoning meeting for the R40 exemption, the same exemption we currently have for the old drill tower. The Federal flood plain map should be revised this fall and should not affect us. The utilities have been removed, and we are awaiting a start date from the demo contractor.

Contract for new Engine 3 has been signed with 4 Guys. Geoff has had discussion with two parties that have expressed interest in the possible purchase of Rescue 14 when it becomes available.

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We have had some feedback that the new sirens have a different sound than the previous ones, Matt will look into adjustments for better sound from them. We also discussed that for the public's benefit we may use WSIM and other media to announce and explain the upgrades being made to the siren system as we have 4 more stations to upgrade.

7. District Maintenance Reports – M. Pearce-Bristol: The reports for the month of July 2026, as distributed by email, was accepted. Copies of the reports are on file.
8. District Administration Report – K. Ouimette: The reports for the month of July 2026, as distributed by email, was accepted. A copy of the report is on file.
9. Personnel Report – P. Gilbert: We are looking to update the Personnel Manual; we have had some questions regarding certain policies which were discussed.
10. Civil Preparedness Report – J. Traficante: The report for the month of July 2026, as distributed by email, was accepted. Copies of the reports are on file.
11. Correspondence: - G. Wilcox: None
12. Unfinished Business – Burn building update was presented by Commissioner Giddings under his report.
13. New Business – As we look to upgrade the phone system between the stations the question was raised about the status of the call boxes on each station. Kim and Matt will investigate options and prices so that further discussion can be had and decisions made.
14. Executive Session – None
15. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Solury Sr.
Clerk

Next Meeting: September 14th, 2026