## CONWAY VILLAGE FIRE DISTRICT

## COMMISSIONER'S MEETING Thursday July 14, 2016 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 3:30

Commissioners present: Janine Bean, Michael Digregorio, Steve Bamsey

Others present: Gregg Quint- Superintendant, Chief Solomon, and Amy Snow-Municipal Bookkeeper, Mr. Hounsell, Mr. Mercier, Tom Buco and Paul DegliAngeli.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

Mr. Digregorio made a motion to approve items A through G, motion seconded by Mr. Bamsey; motion passed 3-0-0.

- **a.** Ratify A/P Manifest and Sign checks dated 7/7/2016
- **b.** Ratify A/P Manifest and sign checks dated 7/13/2016
- c. Ratify Monthly E/O Payroll and Sign Checks for Period ending 6/30/2016
- d. Ratify Quarterly E/O Payroll and sign checks for period ending 6/30/2016
- e. Ratify Monthly On Call Payroll and sign checks for period ending 6/30/2016
- f. Ratify Payroll and sign checks for period ending 7/3/2016
- g. Ratify Payroll and sign checks ending 7/10/2016

Mrs. Bean signed the Superintendant's and Fire Chief's time sheets for week ending 7/10/16 Mr. Digregorio made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes dated June 30, 2016, Mr. Bamsey seconded the motion; motion passed 3-0-0.

Meeting opened with Mr. Hounsell coming before the Board to discuss representing CVFD in Concord. Mr. Digregorio stated that he felt Mr. Hounsell was the guy for the job given his knowledge. Mr. Hounsell has some reservations because of family ties. Mr. Hounsell said the agenda for the next session is to file another bill to fund twelve more projects. Mr. Buco and Senator Martha Fuller Clarke were successful in getting eight projects funded that should have been funded in December 2014. Mr. Hounsell stated he would be representing not only CVFD but other areas of the North Country such as North Conway, Berlin and Lower Bartlett. He said he would be happy to represent CVFD if we should choose. Discussion ensued. The budget will have to be reviewed to see how we will pay for Mr. Hounsell's service. Mr. Hounsell will draft up a contract once we have that, a motion will be determined.

Mr. McCormack approached the Board to discuss the additional engineering cost on the project and to ask for forgiveness on this cost. He had a couple of points he wanted to speak to as to why he should not have to pay the additional cost. One being the project ran over time due to Underwood administrative cost. The first two months were due to change orders. Discussion ensued as to why Defelice should not have to pay liquidated damages. Mr. Digregorio asked what Mr. McCormack thought CVFD did wrong to prolong the project five to six months, Mr. McCormack responded he is not insinuating CVFD did anything wrong. He feels Defelice saved the District money that exceeded the engineering cost. Discussion ensued. It was decided a decision would not be made today the Commissioner's would have to look at it.

Mr. DegliAngeli discussed the progress on Main St project. Utilities and DOT were brought together and they were updated. Drainage was discussed. Cameras were used to examine pipes.

Mr. Mercier updated the Board on the Force Main to the emergency storage lagoon. He then said he talk to Joy Hilton of EPA regarding not having to file a report monthly for the waste water treatment plant she is requesting a letter explaining everything Mr. Mercier has drafted a letter for the Board to review. Sludge removal cost was discussed we do not have enough money to dewater all five lagoons. Mr. Mercier is advocating cleaning four of the lagoons and as much as we can of lagoon #1. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Bean discussed Northeast Credit Union. She spoke with Hermon Magee and he remembers getting a letter a couple of years ago and sending it up the chain of command, he then explained they have five employees and to hook up to our sewer it would cost \$10,000- \$15,000. They do not have a problem paying the demand and usage fee. The problem is with the RSA stating you shall hook up to a municipal sewer if it goes by your building. Discussion ensued around if a waiver is possible and what would be needed.

Ms. Bean got a call back regarding the USDA ceremony. The question is when do we want to have the ribbon cutting ceremony and what does it look like we don't need to answer today but we need to be thinking about it. Mr. Bamsey was for sooner rather than later. It was agreed that September would be a good month and Ms. Bean will let USDA know that September is the month we are looking at.

Mr. Bamsey wanted to review where we were in talking to the Center Conway Commissioners. Chief Solomon stated they just got their new Chief. He stated he is trying to get on their agenda to see if they are interested in merging with us, Albany possibly Eaton and Redstone. Next Tuesday is the first non-precinct fire meeting.

Mr. Bamsey then updated the Board on the North Conway water project. Numbers were discussed and the language in the agreement. Mr. Bamsey's opinion is that we have to buy into this contract due to the language in the agreement. What it comes down to is 3.5 million dollar project with 12% forgiveness. We would be paying on 1.17 million on a 30 year loan the principal alone would be \$39,000 a year. Projected numbers are on the low end but looks like our payment will be offset by the revenue the project would generate. Mr. Bernier thought we might qualify for more loan forgiveness. Discussion ensued. Ms. Bean stated if we were not 100% not wanting to go in on this project they would not force us. However it was agreed this project will produce revenue for CVFD. The project will be done in 2018 and the first payment will be due in 2019. Mr. Bamsey stated that Mr. Bernier said he is willing to work with us and share resources with us. He also offered if the guys need any help call him.

Mr. Bamsey made a motion to notify North Conway Water Precinct that we are in favor of the project. Mr. Digregorio seconded the motion; motion passed 3-0-0.

## FIRE CHIEF'S BUSINESS

Chief Solomon discussed abatements. See attached.

Mr. Bamsey made a motion to abate \$104.00. Mr. Digregorio seconded the motion; motion passed 3-0-0.

Mr. Digregorio made a motion to write off as recommended by Chief Solomon \$1,243.08.

Mr. Bamsey seconded the motion; motion passed 3-0-0.

Meeting adjourned without objection 6:30 P.M. Respectfully submitted Stacy Bolduc, Receptionist

**FUTURE DATES** 

Commissioner's meeting July 28, 2016 6:30 A.M.