CONWAY VILLAGE FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

Thursday September 27, 2018 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 4:45 p.m.

Commissioners present: Steve Bamsey, Michael Digregorio, Tom Buco

Others present: Assistant Superintendent Steve Anderson, Chief Solomon, Amy Snow-

Municipal Bookkeeper

Absent: Gregg Quint- Superintendent

Public: None

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Mr. Digregorio made a motion to approve items A and B, motion seconded by; Mr. Buco Discussion:

Alpha Overhead Doors-\$611.00 for a broken spring for garage door at the administration building.

Fire Tec- \$4,790.00 to replace hose for the fire department.

W.D. Perkins- The annual pump test.

Memorial Hospital- Mr. Buco remarked the cost of naloxone is \$28.00. Chief Solomon said the price has doubled.

Motion passed 3-0-0.

Mr. Digregorio made a motion to approve and sign the Superintendent's and Fire Chiefs time sheets for the week ending 9/23/18, seconded by Mr. Buco; Motion passed 3-0-0.

Mr. Digregorio made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of 09/20/18, seconded by Mr. Buco; Motion passed 3-0-0.

Mr. Bamsey spoke with a couple of venders who hold a farmers market at Twombly's and he has spoken to them about using Pequawket Park. He explained if they were interested to contact us early January or February to work out the details because there is a 90 day turn around. The use of a bathroom was discussed. Chief Solomon said they could use the fire station. Mrs. Snow said the woman had contacted the office and she directed her to the website.

Mr. Buco reviewed with the board the points he wanted to stress on the conference call with Dana Bisbee in regards to funding from DES and the state on the Force Main Project.

CONFERENCE CALL

Mr. Digregorio made a motion to go into nonpublic under RSA 91-A: 3 II (e), seconded by Mr. Buco; Roll call vote Mr. Digregorio-yes, Mr. Buco- yes and Mr. Bamsey- yes.

Meeting entered nonpublic 5:10 p.m. Public meeting resumed at 5:40 p.m.

SUPERINTENDANT'S BUSINESS

Mr. Anderson reported Ted Barry cameraed and cleaned the sewer Monday night. Mr. Anderson said he was still waiting for the timeline for the lining. Currently, they are scheduled to come back Oct. 29th.

Mr. Anderson confirmed they cameraed from the intersection of West Main and Main St. to the four corners and 200 ft. to the line that goes between Main St. and the Majestic Theater.

The discussion ensued around safety equipment and repairing hydrants.

Mr. Anderson stated he has been talking with the state regarding the manholes on Main St. that sits low due to the paving. He explained they would be fixed one of two ways either cold patch or risers will be put in. This is a temporary fix till the Main St. project is done. Mr. Anderson stated it would probably be risers.

FIRE CHIEFS BUSINESS

Chief Solomon reported the new lights are up at the fire station and they are great. He wants to get rid of the old ones by giving them away if anyone wants them. He had the electrician check out the wall packs on the outside of the building while he was at the station.

Write-offs were discussed next.

Chief Solomon explained the counteroffer to Lisa Menard was that she could pay \$248.50 now and another \$248.50 in two months and have the rest written off. Chief Solomon was looking for the board's approval and explained by making a motion to approve the total of the write-offs, the board would be approving the suggested payment plan. (See attached).

Mr. Digregorio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Buco to write of \$893.60 as presented by the Fire Chief; Motion passed: 3-0-0.

Discussion ensued around payments pending with Comstar and the challenges with collecting payments from insurance companies and patients.

Chief Solomon handed out the minutes from the Town of Conway Selectmen's meeting 8/7/18 regarding the costs associated with the Town from the opioid epidemic. (Please see attached for details). Selectman would like to know if CVFD is on board doing a memorandum of agreement to join with Town of Conway for the lawsuit. They do not want to make a final decision until CVFD decides to participate or not. Chief Solomon explained the suit (see attached) this lawsuit is a national lawsuit against three major opioid manufactures for cost related to overdoes borne to local governments. The allegation is that they were misleading the doctors to prescribe the opioids that helped create the crisis we are all now paying for.

The challenge is that Chief will have to look back on all of the ambulance calls and track what calls were addiction- related calls and the cost of the call. Mr. Bamsey stated he is not opposed to the lawsuit but does not want to put a lot of work on Chief Solomon. Chief Solomon confirmed it would be very labor intensive because it will be done manually however if they just need estimates then he can pull a report for those calls and differentiate the call for just narcan or if airways were included.

Mr. Digregorio wants to know the end result. He's concerned CVFD would not see any of the money and wants to know if any money would be put back towards the opioid addiction crisis. He does not support the lawsuit if the lawyer is the only one that would see any of the settlement.

Chief Solomon stated it would have to be financially beneficial to CVFD for him to put the time and effort in.

Mr. Digregorio stated again he would like more information regarding how much money will go back to the people who are having the problem.

Mr. Bamsey stated he is not in favor of joining the lawsuit, he feels CVFD is not the Town; it is its own entity and feels the lawsuit would create a lot of work for Chief Solomon.

BOOKKEEPERS BUSINESS

Mrs. Snow needs the MS535 resigned because fund balance numbers got moved around. There was no change to the bottom line.

Mr. Bamsey signed the new MS535 for 2017.

Mrs. Snow got the official letter from DES informing CVFD that the fiscal year 2018 DWGTF (Drinking water and groundwater trust fund grant) construction project funding list has been finalized and CVFD is getting \$165,000 for the water main replacement for the Main St. project. A motion is needed to accept the grant funds.

Mr. Digregorio made a motion to accept the NH Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund Grant in the amount of \$165,000.00, Motion seconded by Mr. Bamsey; Motion passed: 3-0-0.

Mrs. Snow stated she got a phone call from a woman on the 25th regarding the pucka brush on the Pequawket path. Her dog got entangled in the brush, and she cut her hand and ripped her pants. RWN has had the contract since 2016 to keep the path clear and has been contacted to inform them of the complaint; Bob Nelson said they would take care of it.

Sick leave policy was tabled for now due to time.

Next meeting will be Oct. 5th at 6:45 a.m.

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned without objection at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Stacy Bolduc Receptionist