

**CONWAY VILLAGE FIRE DISTRICT
COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Thursday, April 23, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. A virtual meeting was held via Zoom due to COVID-19.

Commissioners present: Steve Bamsey, Michael Digregorio, Tom Buco

Absent:

Others present: Amy Snow- Municipal Bookkeeper, Superintendent Steve Anderson, Chief Solomon, Stacy Bolduc

Public: None

FIRE CHIEF'S BUSINESS

Chief Solomon presented a hardship abatement for Muriel Tancred for \$805.00.

Mr. Bamsey made a motion to grant the hardship abatement as presented by the fire chief, motion seconded by Mr. Digregorio; Motion passed 3-0-0.

Chief Solomon reported the Navistar Maxforce 11 lawsuit settlement next. The District owns a tanker that has an engine in that fits the class action lawsuit. The lawsuit is about a valve that could fail on the engine. There are three options to choose from. After a brief discussion around the options, Chief Solomon suggested the \$2,500.00 cashback option. Commissioners agreed they would like to proceed with the cashback option. The money will have to be accepted as unanticipated revenue when the check comes in the mail.

Mr. Buco made a motion to proceed with the rebate option for \$2,500.00, motion seconded by Mr. Bamsey; Motion passed 3-0-0.

Chief Solomon explained he had received money from the Federal Government under the Care's Act for \$11,576.98. A public hearing has been posted in the paper to be able to accept the funds. It will be on the agenda next week, and there are conditions to receiving the funds that Chief Solomon will explain next week. Discussion ensued around revenues will be down due to COVID-19, and the money will help.

The radios for the new SUV are backordered. There was a brief discussion around the campgrounds opening.

SUPERINTENDENTS BUSINESS

Mr. Anderson reported that there is \$62,000 in the sewer account that would be used for the I&I study; however, David Mercier said the earliest they could do the study is late May, and by then, the flows will have dropped off. The plan is to do the flow isolations in October or November and do the rest of the study next year in April. If the flows are not up in the fall, they will do the isolation flow tests next year in April as well. The discussion ensued around the loan details. A disbursement from the loan will need to be made within six months of the loan being approved.

Sloan is working in the well yard doing some painting. Mr. Anderson reported next that the tanks on Bald Hill were cleaned this week by Underwater Solutions. The process was briefly discussed. There was less than an inch of sediment. The steel tank has anodes in it that will need to be replaced next year. Mr. Anderson will look into the cost of replacing them.

The latest report on the Main St. project is that it will go out to bid in late May.

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Mr. Bamsey asked Mr. Anderson if there is any work that needs to be done at the lagoons that Judith Houston required to be done. Mr. Anderson responded there is loaming and seeding that will need to be done when the snow is gone and the ground dries out.

BOOKKEEPERS BUSINESS

Mrs. Snow reported it has been very quiet. The discussion went to concerns that next quarter; people may be facing hardship to pay their water and sewer bills. Mrs. Snow reviewed some numbers for commissioners regarding not collecting penalty fees for two quarters. The hard-hit for revenue is on backflow testing. The Governor mandated only one backflow test this year instead of two. There are a couple of applications out for water/sewer connection fees; this could help where there is a loss of revenue.

COMMISSIONER'S BUSINESS

Mr. Bucu reminded the board that absentee ballots could be obtained on the town's website, and Article 8 is to allow the town to appropriate money for the Main Street project.

He then updated commissioners that the Governor's office committee for relief and recovery has heard from hotel owners and restaurants that they will not be reopening due to bankruptcy. Mr. Bucu wanted to make the board aware because of the businesses that may be in the District that may not be able to pay their property taxes.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

- a. Ratify the Weekly Payroll Manifests for week ending 4/19/2020
- b. Ratify A/P Manifest dated April 22, 2020
- c. Approval of Supervisors' timesheets for week ending 4/19/2020
- d. Approval of Meeting Minutes dated 4/16/2020

Mr. Bamsey made a motion to approve item's A and B (payroll and A/P manifest's), motion seconded by Mr. Bucu;

Discussion:

Health Trust

Staples for annual office expenses

TDK- chain link fence for the well yard

Underwater Solutions \$5,490.00 - Cleaning of the tanks on Bald Hill Rd.

Motion passed: 3-0-0.

Mr. Bucu made a motion to ratify the A/P Manifest dated 4/1/2020, motion seconded by Mr. Bamsey;

Discussion:

Motion passed 3-0-0.

Mr. Bamsey made a motion to approve and sign the Superintendent's and Fire Chiefs' timesheets for the week ending 4/19/2020, motion seconded by Mr. Bucu; Motion passed 3-0-0.

Mr. Bamsey made the motion to approve the meeting minutes dated 4/16/2020, motion seconded by Mr. Bucu; Motion passed 3-0-0.

The next commissioner's meeting will be on April 30, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned without objection at 5:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Stacy Bolduc Receptionist

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