

**CONWAY VILLAGE FIRE DISTRICT
COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Thursday April 22, 2021 5:00 p.m.
Fire Station Meeting Room
Public via Zoom**

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Commissioners present: Steve Bamsey, Michael Digregorio, Tom Buco

Others present: Chief Solomon, Bruno Vallieres-Superintendent, Amy Snow-Municipal Bookkeeper

Public:

FIRE CHIEF'S BUSINESS

The chief started off saying he has two candidates worth talking to, but they will have to complete CPAT before hiring them. He stated that the Firefighters Association received an \$8,000 donation from Varsity Beverage and a \$10,000 donation from Jeannie Doherty. This money will be used to purchase a mechanical CPR device. The association will vote to accept the donation, they will purchase the device that will then come before the Board to accept, the device's cost is about \$16,000. The department has been trying for a few years to get this device. The chief will send thank you letters for the donations and the commissioners will send letters once the device is obtained.

The chief relayed that it is all worked out with Colemans to ensure the apparatus can get out of the station once construction starts in front of it.

SUPERINTENDENT'S BUSINESS

Bruno explained that an old, discontinued line was hit, and it worked out well working with Colemans to get it repaired. This line was discontinued and shut off but never turned off at the main and was not on any maps.

He talked next about the I&I, they did East Main St., Quint St. and the Wilder, Farrington area. There were a lot of sump pumps found on Quint St., they also found a lot of infiltration on East Main St. Tasker, Washington St. and that area are tight, no infiltration. Once the entire study is done, we will get a report and then a game plan can be devised. Bruno said he can pinpoint where the sump pumps are, we can do a meter inspection or change out the meter and check for sure, then a letter will go to the customer telling them to remove the pump from the sewer. Discussion ensued around the sewer system and the I&I.

Colemans asked Bruno if they could store the water pipe in the back corner of the Park parking lot. Bruno told them they could pending approval of the Board. Discussion ensued around parking in the lot, The Board was okay with Coleman storing the pipe there.

BOOKKEEPER'S BUSINESS

Mr. Bamsey signed the Disbursement Request for I&I engineering. Amy presented a Notice of Lien to the Board; the house is empty due to mold and the water is off; they seem to be paying the taxes but stopped paying the water bill a year ago. **Mr. Bamsey made a motion to place a lien on 160 Mountain View Dr., motion seconded by Mr. Digregorio. Motion passed 3-0-0.**

Next was a request to use the park, the gazebo and about 10 parking spaces. The electric receptacle will have to be replaced and one panel of the gazebo will have to be shored up, the chief said he would take care of this. Discussion ensued around charging Mt. Top for the use, this was dismissed. Discussion ensued around a quote to fix the gazebo roof from Far Sight Enterprise they did in January of 2020 for close to \$13,000. Mike from Far Sight is redoing it because his quote was missing items. One problem with fixing the gazebo now is that the price of lumber is very volatile. Mr. Buco asked if the electric is on or off. The chief explained that the breaker

Check future meeting minutes for any amendments or changes to these minutes.

is in the barn and it is left on all the time. The chief will turn it off until someone wants to use it. **Motion to allow use of the park and gazebo was made by Mr. Bamsey and seconded by Mr. Digregorio; Mr. Bucu asked if the insurance certificate names CVFD as an additionally insured, Amy assured him it does. Motion passed 3-0-0.**

Amy then presented an amendment to the Park Use Policy adding that CVFD must be named as an additionally insured. **Mr. Digregorio made a motion to amend the Park Use Policy to add “naming Conway Village Fire District as and additionally insured”, Mr. Bucu seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.**

Amy said that Far Sight is going to look at the gazebo again and she asked them to quote it two ways, one with a shingle roof and one with a cedar roof. The decking and shingles will hold the gazebo together better, but the added weight will reduce the snow load. Mr. Digregorio expressed that this number is way high; the chief stated that cedar shakes are very labor intensive. The board was reminded that the gazebo cost \$30,000. Discussion ensued around the repairs.

Amy questioned the board if they wanted to talk about the health insurance policy. It was agreed that this will be tabled until a later date.

Mr. Bucu wanted clarification on the insurance certificate from Mountain Top and if it stated that CVFD is an additionally insured. Amy showed him where it stated we are.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

- a. Ratify Payroll Manifest and sign checks for week ending 4/18/2021
- b. Ratify A/P Manifest dated 4/21/2021 and sign checks dated 4/23/2021

Mr. Bamsey made a motion to ratify items a. and b., motion seconded by Mr. Digregorio.

Discussion:

AAA Pump Service - \$3,800 – Banfill Pumps. Bruno explained that the pumps are ten years old and the pumps are submersed. The cutters needed to be replaced as well as the hoisting system. AAA was the company that installed them originally; this gets done every ten years.

HealthTrust - \$23,995.43

Quick Med Claims - \$1,475. Mr. Bucu asked how things are going with this company and the chief answered they are doing their job.

Ti-Sales - \$719.00 – pack joint, Bruno said this is being charged to Ed Poliquin.

Motion passed 3-0-0.

Mr. Bamsey made a motion to approve and sign the Fire Chiefs’ timesheet for the week ending 4/18/2021, motion seconded by Mr. Digregorio; Motion passed 3-0-0.

Mr. Bamsey made the motion to approve the meeting minutes dated 4/15/2021, motion seconded by Mr. Digregorio; Motion passed 3-0-0.

Mr. Bamsey asked for an update on well 2; Adam told the board that the pump needed some work. Bruno replied that the new pump has a vibration and it is just a matter of getting Barry Miller to come and look at it; Steve Anderson is working on this. Mr. Digregorio expressed his disappointment that the old pump lasted 40 years and this one only lasted a couple. Bruno went on to talk about the vibration and that the problem is not bad enough to turn the pump off. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Bamsey then asked about the Lowe’s bill from last week for \$727.27. Bruno relayed that most of it was building maintenance to replace the floors in the upstairs bathroom and the kitchen. The kitchen had carpet that

Check future meeting minutes for any amendments or changes to these minutes.

really needed replacing and the bathroom tile was in bad shape - \$639.00 for supplies (free labor) came out to \$1.60/sf. The rest was for a battery and belt for the new ride on mower (this was free – a donation) and cleaning products.

Amy discussed the email sent by William Hounsell; DES presented to the Legislative Budget Assistants (LBA) showing the repercussions of taking away the SAG to all communities.

The next commissioner's meeting will be on 4/22/2021

Mr. Digregorio made a motion to enter into non-public under RSA 91-A:3II(b). Motion was seconded by Mr. Buco. Roll call vote Mr. Bamsey – yea, Mr. Digregorio – yea, Mr. Buco – yea.

The public portion of the meeting resumed at 6:15.

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned without objection at 6:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Snow, Municipal Bookkeeper