

The regular monthly meeting of the EAGLE MILLS FIRE DISTRICT #1 Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order by the District Secretary at 7:00 pm on Thursday, February 17, 2022.

Member's present were John Erickson, Jeff Dunham, Joe Kunz, Shawn Duffey and Chris Swanson.

An accounting of all monies in the treasury was distributed to all the Commissioners. The account information had a breakdown of the CRF accounts, and a screenshot of the bank statement values as of the end of the previous month. Joe Kunz made a motion seconded by Jeff Dunham approved 5-0 with all in favor to accept the Treasurer's report.

The Secretary's report of the January 5, 2022, meeting was supplied at the December meeting. Joe Kunz made a motion, seconded by Jeff Dunham and approved 5-0 with all in favor to accept the meeting minutes with the changes requested. A copy of the Organizational Meeting minutes was also provided to the Commissioners.

There was no request for public access from those in attendance.

Old Business

The Secretary explained that he met with the IT company technician and the anti-virus software has been installed on all the computers and they created admin accounts on all the computers.

The Treasurer explained that he needs to order checks. A purchase request was completed and signed for this purchase.

Joe Kunz discussed the new sign and he stated that he hasn't made it over to the church to look at the sign there. Jeff Dunham also stated that he didn't see the sign at the church yet. The Secretary stated that he would take pictures of it the next day and send them to the Commissioners. Joe thinks we should go before the Town and get it approved. Joe Kunz also mentioned that Tim Hoodack may have found a grant to purchase the sign. It was discussed and the grant is the Safer Grant from the US government, and the sign wouldn't qualify. To get approval for this grant we would need to write a grant or get someone to write the grant application.

Chris Swanson asked about the oxygen compressor and if we wanted to throw it out or give it away for parts. The Commissioners discussed that since parts are not available, we should get rid of it. Chris doesn't think we need it, he can fill the bottles some place else to get the bottles filled. Chris will do some research to see how to get rid of it.

Chris Swanson explained that he is working to rebuild the website currently.

Jeff Dunham stated that the generator is fixed, it should be around \$2,000 to have it fixed. The technician had to come and look at the generator and then he had to come back to install parts that needed to be ordered. The alarm on the generator went off and someone silenced it and Jeff has been monitoring it and hasn't seen anything that would cause it to go off again. Jeff is going to bring it up at the Department meeting to write down the reason for the alarm.

Jeff explained that Dave Veltman was here and E101 needs a throttle sensor, and they are waiting for it to be delivered. It is expected to be here around March 1st.

Jeff Dunham also explained that he called around to car dealerships and he cannot locate a ¾ ton extended cab pick-up. Dealerships offered to order one, but there was no guarantee when we would receive it. Jeff explained that two local departments are interested in the Chiefs truck. Jeff asked Shawn Duffey to contact a Ford dealership that he deals with regularly to see what they have available. Shawn agreed to contact the Ford dealership.

Shawn Duffey explained that he will pick up the part for the ventilation system. He believes a power surge caused it to fail. He spoke to the vendor, and they believe that the part they are sending will fix the issue.

Shawn Duffey has a list of the inventory that we want to include with the sale of the Engine Rescue, he can't find any specs on the truck. Shawn will talk to the vendor and get a price estimate. The jaws, the spreaders, the combi tool and the cutters are all pre-plumbed to the truck. The Commissioners discussed and agreed to keep the rams, the stooks, and the hose from the truck.

John Erickson asked if anyone was interested in going to the Commissioners training in Clifton Park on March 26th, Joe stated he was interested.

John Erickson also asked for permission to attend the Chief's Show during the summer and the Commissioners agreed.

Joe Kunz explained that the four new gas meters are in, and all the other meters have been calibrated.

John Erickson will be meeting with Todd McNutt from our insurance provider to review the policies for 2022, he asked if anyone else wanted to attend.

John stated he will also be setting up a meeting with the new PERMA rep to discuss our Workers Compensation policy.

The Chiefs Secretary stated that the physicals are no longer scheduled on March 1st. They are scheduled but she cannot provide a date at this time. They will be done in March is all the vendor could agree to. If anyone needs a DOT physical, they can go to the vendors office to get it done, but she recommends making an appointment.

The Chief's Secretary asked Jeff Dunham to sign the LOSAP form that has been posted for 30 days. The form will be sent into PENFLEX this week.

Car #2 stated that rings will be made and installed on the overhead doors this week, so they can be pulled to open the doors. They tested the doors on a drill night to open them manually and can be opened by hand with a pole.

Joe Kunz explained that he went to the locksmith and had keys made for the doors. An envelope with the new keys was given to the Procurement Officer. There is a hide-a-key on the outside of the building incase the power goes out.

Shawn Duffey asked about when the Chiefs changed vehicles in January. He explained that the exchange between officers should be done after the District Organizational meeting, so the Commissioners have vote and approve.

John Erickson asked if the alarm has been set recently as he has not been getting any calls about the alarm being activated. It was determined that the alarm is not being set before people leave the building.

The Chief's Secretary explained that there have been two new assigned lieutenants; Jack Curran is the lieutenant of E101, and Tim Hoodack was assigned as station lieutenant. When someone is appointed to a position they get 15 points, as compared to getting elected to a position they would get 20 points.

The Chief's Secretary also asked Chris Swanson if he spoke to the medical director as the lab license expires in March and we need the medical director's signature on the renewal form.

Shawn Duffey brought up a recent EMS call where a neighboring department drove the patient to the hospital because the ambulance was too far away to get to the call. The Commissioners discussed and asked Car #2 to explain at the Battalion Meeting that in the future when a neighboring department chooses to do this in our district, that they inform our Chief of their plans.

John Erickson made a motion, seconded by Chris Swanson, and approved 5-0 with all in favor to pay all the bills presented by the Treasurer and audited by the Commissioners.

John Erickson made a motion, seconded by Joe Kunz, and approved 5-0 with all in favor to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pete Kerwin - Fire District Secretary