

Board of Commissioners
Sennett Fire District
Regular Meeting
March 7, 2024
CO#2 - Franklin St. Firehouse

Present: John Komarisky
William J. Feocco - Excused
David Morris
Urson LaSagna - Excused
Tyson Turner

John Komarisky called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Financial Reports and Bank Statement reviewed by Board members.

Lens Report: one for an inactive member – Secretary will remove individual from the LENS list.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by David Morris to accept. Seconded by Tyson Turner All in favor. Motion carried.

The minutes of the February 8th regular meeting were approved. Motion to accept by Tyson Turner. Seconded by David Morris. All in favor. Motion carried.

Communications:

- The Isaac Heating Maintenance Contract has been received. The annual cost is \$2,200.00 with a labor rate of \$155.00 per hour on calls completed Monday through Friday between the hours of 7 AM and 7 PM. Outside these hours, the labor rate is \$175.00 per hour minus a 15% discount if the contract is continued. The contract will be renewed on the 17th of March unless the district cancels. Motion to continue the contract by Tyson Turner. Seconded by David Morris. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Business:

- Spectrum account review – Tyson spoke with the district's account manager and their technical applications engineer regarding the service at Co#2. The telephone system will no longer be supported. Spectrum would like to install an internet-based phone system. There will be new hardware that needs to be installed. Tyson is waiting for a final quote for Co#2.
 - o A quote was received from Spectrum to upgrade the phones and the receiver box at Co#1 as they are no longer supported. The monthly expenditure for this service will increase from \$169.97 to \$205.95 with a one-time installation charge of \$99.00. Motion to accept quote by Tyson Turner. Seconded by David Morris. All in favor. Motion carried. Tyson will inform Spectrum.
- Sean is still working on the tobacco free policy/SOP.

Old Business:

- The Isaac Heating bill is still not resolved. Heather will contact them for an update.
- The NYS financial update paperwork has been submitted.
- The Inero engagement letter was received via email on March 7th. Inero is planning to start the district audit on April 22nd and will send a list of items in advance for treasurer to prepare and submit electronically.
- LOSAP progress – Joe submitted the final qualified volunteers list and John certified that it was received. This will be posted for review for the next thirty days.
- Building –
 - o Awning Mart out of Cicero has quoted \$13,100.00 to replace the fabric on both awnings. John is still waiting for a quotation from A&M in Auburn. Geneva Awning has declined to quote.
 - o Issac Heating was onsite today looking at the HVAC system and the repairs/replacements needed. Halco is coming in on 3/8/24 to meet with John and put together a quotation. Tyson will get information on a sales contract for Trane to quote this also and Heather will contact Cooney Air Conditioning with John's information.
 - o Friendly Locksmith has sent in a quote on the door locking systems at Co#1 and Co#2. The cost to install the system on (4) doors is \$6,750.00. All wiring would need to be done by Elite Electric at an additional charge. Chief Haynes would like the door between the fire service section and the public section of the building to also have a locking system. Tyson will contact John Ware to get additional information on the hardware, software, number of fobs provided, installation, support, and warranty.
 - o McLaughlin Glass has quoted \$785.00 to replace the windowpanes in the radio room; however, the window frame itself seems to be leaking. Replacing the glass will clean up the hazing but will not correct water seepage. John will ask McLaughlin if they can quote an entire new window including frame and seal.
 - o Whiting's Wallpaper has provided a quote to furnish and install window treatments at Co#2 totaling \$2,889.00. Tyson Turner made a motion to approve the quote for window treatments – deferring installation on the window that needs to be repaired. David Morris seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Discussion on extension the blacktop or concrete walk at Co#2 in front of the diagonally laid out parking spaces to prevent visitors from driving into the grass. The board will continue this discussion at a later date.
- Jesse is working on the final list of materials for the hall renovation.
- Installation of the Air system at Co#2 is anticipated by the end of March.
- The following resolution was discussed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Sennett Fire District in the Town of Sennett, Cayuga County, New York, duly convened does hereby resolve pursuant to the provision of the laws of the State of New York that the Sennett Fire District be and hereby does authorize the transfer(s) of a sum not to exceed \$130,000.00 from its Building Repair and Maintenance Reserve Fund to the District's General Operating account for continued Fire District operations including various repairs to the HVAC systems as well as repair/maintenance issues at both the Franklin Street and the Turnpike Road firehouses.

- Tyson Turner made the motion to accept the above resolution subject to a permissive referendum pursuant to Section 6-g of the General Municipal Law. Seconded by David Morris. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Deputy Chair:

- No Report.

Chief Report: Ben Haynes

- The fire department responded to 64 calls in February.
- There have been 147 total alarms this year.
- Preventative maintenance has begun on apparatus. The air packs and rescue tool systems are done. There were some issues with the air packs with most of the work being warranty work.
- Brandon LaSagna addressed the capital purchase plan and made a recommendation to replace the 2016 Extended Cab F250. The department would like to purchase another Tahoe through DeNooyer Chevy in Albany. Currently they have a red vehicle on their lot for \$54,109.26 on state bid. The F250 would be sold or used as a trade-in. Tyson asked what the issues with the current truck are today. Brandon says there is no storage for turnout gear, AEDs, equipment, and it only fits two people. Originally it was purchased as a Squad vehicle to sit behind the tanker at Co#1. It was not meant as a Chief's vehicle but currently, it is being driven nearly daily to calls, drills, etc. The discussion has been tabled until all commissioners are present.
- The spending limitation as it relates to capital reserves was discussed. Heather will review and get back to the board.

The March Warrant for \$10,194.26 was approved. Motion to accept by John Komarisky. Seconded by Tyson Tuner. All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 9:21 PM. Motion by Tyson Turner. Seconded by David Morris. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Heather Christopher
 Heather A. Christopher
 Secretary/Treasurer