Commissioners Meeting

August 8, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. 976 Main Street, Freedom Hall, Cotuit, Massachusetts

Called to order at 5:30

Commissioners present: Rick Pisano, Kevin Conley, and Adam Zais

Present: Fire Chief Paul Rhude

Amy Kates recording, Commissioner Pisano reminded Ms. Kates that by law she is not allowed to turn on the recorder until one of the Commissioners acknowledges the public recording and must be turned off at the end.

Public Comment:

• No public comment

Minutes:

• Motion made to approve July 19 Minutes, seconded, all in favor

Chief Report:

• 59 responses for month of July- 54% medical, 55% service and one notable motor vehicle accident received mutual aid from Mashpee, COMM and BPD

Administrative

• Still working on upgrading Fire House to track leave balances and on Symposium upgrade tracking CAD system in the vehicles.

Training:

- In house Boat training on August 23
- USCG providing boat training program in late fall, schedule not established yet. Commissioner Conley asked if USCG offers training in the spring.
- Commissioners signed a letter of thanks to Katherine Bunting and Lawrence Laser and thanked them for allowing the boat to remain on their dock for the season which saved the district money, and the space allowed for faster response time.

Comstar Report

- Chief has been looking into billing rates and waiting for report on neighboring communities which he will provide next month. Will also find out last time rates were raised.
- Commissioner Zais about what a hypothetical projection would mean in revenues if billing rates were raised based upon looking at our last 12-month history. Chief will create and provide a report for next meeting.

Budget:

• Reviewed and on track

New Business:

Personnel

- Currently, one FF out sick, will return soon
- Office Manager-Chief provided a job description and sheet of benefits for review. Benefits have not been offered yet, this is to be reviewed and be discussed at next meeting.

Apparatus

- 267 out of service for a few hours, thought was an oil leak, but was a foam leak no longer out of service
- Texting service has been updated
- 20-year vehicle capital plan should be available to review next month
- BCFA thank you letter for the Fire Engine in all packets

Building

- Cap on roof blew off in storm, now fixed due to leaking, getting prices on roof for next fiscal year
- PERC test passed, waiting for engineer plans, depending on price will go out to bid
- New garage doors scheduled to be installed on Friday

Executive session postponed due to time restraints

Adjourn:

• Motion to adjourn, seconded and unanimously approved