

FEBRUARY 26 SPECIAL EC MEETING DRAFT MINUTES

02262020 | 1930HRS | KVFD FIREHOUSE MEETING ROOM

ATTENDEES

EC MEMBERS: B. Donzella, T. Limbos, E. Matson, A. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Speck, MA Van Valkenburg

OTHER MEMBERS & GUESTS: Henry Bietz

Call to order @ 1934

Public Comment

Membership

MOTION: made by B. Donzella/2nd T. Limbos **Enter into executive session to discuss emergency and non-emergency status.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, T. Limbos, E. Matson, A. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Speck, MA Van Valkenburg

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

MOTION: made by B. Donzella/2nd T. Limbos **Exit executive session.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, T. Limbos, E. Matson, A. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Speck, MA Van Valkenburg

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

-interviewed prospective auxiliary member Henry Bietz

MOTION: made by E. Matson/2nd T. Limbos **Recommend to the membership approval of Henry Bietz as an auxiliary member, pending outcome of background check.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, T. Limbos, E. Matson, A. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Speck, MA Van Valkenburg

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

MOTION: made by T. Limbos/2nd B. Donzella **Enter into executive session to discuss emergency and non-emergency status.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, T. Limbos, E. Matson, A. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Speck, MA Van Valkenburg

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

MOTION: made by T. Limbos/2nd J. Speck **Exit executive session.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, T. Limbos, E. Matson, A. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Speck, MA Van Valkenburg

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

Old Business

- **Department Capital Plan** - discussion on the Capital Plan that was started in 2018, and focused on how to fund those projects. Discussion led to what current outstanding debt the department has.
MOTION: made by MA VanValkenburg/2nd A. Petrone **Recommend to the membership to pay off the balance due for the roof loan out of the back building account.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, T. Limbos, E. Matson, A. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, MA Van Valkenburg

Voting no:

Abstaining: J. Speck

Motion passed

MOTION: made by B. Donzella/2nd T. Limbos **Recommend to the membership to take 50% of the 2019 prior accumulated revenue and put it into a withdrawable CD.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, T. Limbos, E. Matson, A. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, MA Van Valkenburg

Voting no:

Abstaining: J. Speck

Motion passed

- **Boat update** - chair M. Starr could not attend but submitted a written report (attached)
- **Town Capital Plan** - discussion about next steps to restore capital request with the Town - the president and chief will attend the next board of finance meeting to request
- **Whistleblower Policy** - draft policy was reviewed and discussed. Some recommended changes from attorney Andrea Asman were discussed. Members requested more time to digest the document presented.
- **Conflict of Interest Forms** - forms were reviewed.
- **Appointed positions/appointments** -
MOTION: made by C. Rochovansky/2nd J. Speck **Appoint Bonnie Donzella to the position of Financial Secretary.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, T. Limbos, E. Matson, A. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Speck, MA Van Valkenburg

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

The president notified the EC that Mary Gawel stepped down as Records Clerk.

MOTION: made by C. Rochovansky/2nd T. Limbos **Appoint Jeremy Matson to the position of Records Clerk.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, T. Limbos, E. Matson, A. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Speck, MA Van Valkenburg

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

C. Rochovansky stepped down as Auxiliary Coordinator.

MOTION: made by B. Donzella/2nd T. Limbos **Appoint Mary An Van Valkenburg to the position of Auxiliary Coordinator.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, T. Limbos, E. Matson, A. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Speck, MA Van Valkenburg

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

MOTION: made by C. Rochovansky/2nd J. Speck **Appoint Ed Tuz to the Juniors Advisory Board.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, T. Limbos, E. Matson, A. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Speck, MA Van Valkenburg

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

New Business - none

Fire Chief report - Chief reported it's been quiet, has been sending out thank you's to firemen who come on calls.

Ambulance Chief report - Ambulance chief thanked members for assisting on various calls. Attended the POC meeting and a new chair was appointed. Updated members on COVID-19; discussion regarding some pre-planning and coordination.

Line officer reports -

- AC Limbos reported on a meeting with Sloane Stanley regarding pre-planning and KnoxBox installation.
- AAC Donzella reported Alex Limbos has been appointed EMS Supply officer, and Jeremy Matson will be checking on expiration dates and battery charging, also reminded members that they are still responsible for checking equipment and supplies after every call and to contact Alex at emssupplies@kentfire.org with supply needs.

Meeting adjourned @2140

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Jean C. Speck, Secretary

Note: These are draft minutes and corrections may be made at a subsequent meeting. Please refer to subsequent meeting minutes for possible corrections.



Kent Secretary <secretary@kentfire.org>

Boat Report

1 message

MATHEW STARR <mstarr03@snet.net>

Wed, Feb 26, 2020 at 7:21 PM

To: Secretary <secretary@kentfire.org>

Cc: Kent President <president@kentfire.org>, Kent Fire Chief FD <kent1@kentfire.org>, Eric Epstein <ewepstein@charter.net>, Kent Five <kent5@kentfire.org>

Jean,

Sorry but don't think I can make the meeting tonight but wanted to update the EC on the Boat Committee status.

BOAT COMMITTEE REPORT

January -

- * The Committee met and unfortunately did not have the actual bid documents as they were missing but unanimously came up with a proposal for the membership at the Feb membership meeting.

- * After the Jan committee meeting prior to the Feb membership meeting the Chief found the missing documents and I reviewed and discovered an error in the information on the spreadsheets and bid compliance sheet that the Sonar was not included in the proposal the committee had approved.

Feb -

- * At the Feb meeting I discussed the proposal the committee had chosen, and the error in the missing cost of the sonar. During the meeting Gary Hock expressed concern over the boat weight rating and matter was tabled.

- * Committee met in Feb and Gary Hock, Tim Limbos and Wendell Soule also attended. Tim provided some more documents regarding the One boat load rating the rescue one hull patching information. Tim and Gary made it very clear they needed higher load rating that the One Boat does not provide and that the Rescue One boat is very close and may not provide as well. Wendell spoke about dive team rescues and that for the most part all he had attended were shore based. He also stated he liked the "First Boat better" referring to the rescue one boat. The committee then agreed to look at other possible boats to meet the new requirements the two assistant chiefs are looking for.

- * I met with the Fire Chief and discussed everything that had transpired and I think it went well, he agreed we should keep looking for a boat that meets the requirements and everyone will be happy with.

- * Since that time Caralee and Eric have forwarded some information on other boat builders, I have also found some used boats, and just today another company that is used in Connecticut and new England for dive support operations.

- * Hope to schedule a meeting in the near future.

Thank You

Mathew Starr
Boat Chair

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