

## March 22, 2021 EC meeting minutes

Present: John Russell, Cathe Mazza, Bonnie Donzella, Alan Gawel, Ed Matson, Kerri Cullip, Jordan Donzella, Wendall Soule, Jill Scholsohn, Gary Hock, Mary Ann Van Valkenburg, Matt Starr, Tim Limbos.

1. Call to order @ 19:33

2. Public/member comments: The President spoke asked the EC to set a tone of positive language in the department as role models. John will repeat this message at the April membership meeting.

Bonnie Donzella gave information about CERT= community emergency response team.

3. Bonnie made a motion, seconded by Wendall, to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2021 EC meeting. Voting yes: John Russell, Bonnie Donzella, Alan Gawel, Ed Matson, Wendall Soule, Jill Scholsohn, Cathe Mazza. Voting No: none. Abstentions: none. Motion carries.

4. Bonnie made a motion, seconded by Wendall, to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2021 EC meeting. Voting yes: Alan Gawel, John Russell, Bonnie Donzella, Wendall Soule, Jill Scholsohn, Cathe Mazza, Ed Matson. Voting no: none. Abstentions: none. Motion carries.

5. Correspondence: no report

6. Membership: no report

Old Business:

7. Ambulance staffing: going well with EMR.

8. Foundation Committee: recently completed an RFP and will publish it soon.

New Business:

9. Unauthorized entry into building: the President has confronted the individual who guessed a code to gain entry for emergency bathroom need. Said person promises not to do it again. The code has been changed.

10. Kent Presents Grant use: Jordan Donzella is requesting financial help to pay for the Bantam bridge course. John Russell made a motion, seconded by Alan Gawel, to recommend to the membership that the department pay for Jordan Donzella's bridge course using funds from the Kent Presents Grant funds. Voting yes: Wendall Soule, Bonnie Donzella, Jill Scholsohn, Alan Gawel, John Russell, Cathe Mazza, Ed Matson. Voting no: none. Abstentions: none. Motion carries.

11. Safe Deposit Box Authorization: John Russell made a motion, seconded by Wendall, to affirm that John Russell, Cathe Mazza and Alan Gawel as KVFD officers having access to the safe deposit box at Union Savings Bank, and removing Caralee Rochovansky and Mike Petrone from the list. After discussion, this motion was rescinded and John made a new motion, seconded by Wendall, to affirm the KVFD President, Secretary and Fire Chief as KVFD officers having access to the safe deposit box at Union Savings Bank, and removing Caralee Rochovansky and Mike Petrone from the list. Voting yes: John Russell, Bonnie Donzella, Wendall Soule, Alan Gawel, Cathe Mazza, Ed Matson, Jill Scholsohn. Voting no: none. Abstentions: none. Motion carries.

12. Town Grant increase: general discussion.

13. EOC room use: general discussion.

14. CIRMA beneficiary forms: information from the President.

15. Tax Abatement increase: 2016 statute change requires 25 years of service and language about members 'retiring', which is in conflict with the department policy. Changes have been suggested to the town attorney and we await his reply.

16. Department Capital plan: discussion

17. Treasurer's report: no report. The President continues to work on a nomination for the position.

18. Chief: Alan stated we need to make recruitment and response a priority for the entire department (fire and ems). He is working on a schedule for in person training and operations. Alan said the fit testing machine will be here in April hopefully.

19. Line Officers: no report

20. Ambulance: Bonnie and Jill are making phone call outreach to all ems personnel about their participation. Meeting on April 12 will be with Medic4 as instructor. May requests for staffing will be sent soon to EMR. Bonnie will be on vacation 3/27-4/3 and out of town, but call her cell if need be or reach out to Jill for help.

21. Appointed Positions: no report

22. Committee Reports: no report

23. Auxiliary: Susie Rundall is willing to oversee the kitchen's cleanliness. The President warned for the purchase of a second microwave for the responder room.

24. Juniors: no report

Meeting adjourned at 21:14

Cathe Mazza, Secretary

These are draft minutes and corrections may be made by the Kent Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. membership at a subsequent meeting. Please refer to subsequent meeting minutes for possible corrections and approval of these minutes.