KENT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING DRAFT MINUTES

10072019 | 1900HRS | KVFD FIREHOUSE MEETING ROOM

ATTENDEES

MEMBERS: K. Cullip, S. Dingee, B. Donzella, E. Epstein, A. Gawel, G. Hock, R. Kennedy, T. Limbos, E.

Matson, M. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Shaw, W. Soule, M. Starr, A. Swagemaker, E. Tuz, MA

VanValkenburg. **GUESTS:** none

Call to order @ 1900

Minutes of previous meeting

MOTION: made by M.Petrone/2nd by G. Hock Approve Minutes of September Meeting

Discussion:

Voting yes: S. Dingee, B. Donzella, E. Epstein, A. Gawel, G. Hock, R. Kennedy, T. Limbos, E. Matson, M.

Petrone, J. Shaw, W. Soule, A. Swagemaker, E. Tuz

Voting no: C. Rochovansky, MA VanValkenburg

Abstaining: M. Starr **Motion passed**

MOTION: made by M. Starr/2nd by T. Limbos Add approval of August minutes to Agenda

Discussion:

Voting yes: S. Dingee, B. Donzella, E. Epstein, A. Gawel, G. Hock, R. Kennedy, T. Limbos, E. Matson, M.

Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Shaw, W. Soule, M. Starr, A. Swagemaker, E. Tuz, MA VanValkenburg.

Voting no: Abstaining:

Motion passed

It was brought to the membership attention that there was an illegal motion made previously, regarding the parking issue at the firehouse, as it was not on the agenda that night. It will be added to next months agenda and revisited.

T. Limbos wanted noted in the minutes that the amount approved for mounting RIT pack was not included in previous minutes under warnings.

MOTION: made by M. Starr/2nd by M. Petrone Approve Minutes of August Meeting

Discussion:

Voting yes: S. Dingee, B. Donzella, E. Epstein, R. Kennedy, E. Matson, M. Petrone, J. Shaw

Voting no: T. Limbos, G. Hock, A. Gawel, C. Rochovansky, E. Tuz

Abstaining: W. Soule, A. Swagemaker

Motion passed

Public Comment -

- T. Limbos commented that the secretary is in violation of section 1-225 of FOI policy
- E. Epstein questioned what has happened with the investigation of alleged thefts at firehouse

- M. Starr voiced some questions in regards to engine 2. Requested a DOT inspector look at it. Discussion on the trolley brake on engine 2.
- T. Limbos stated there were missing SCBA masks from engine 1

Correspondence - none

Membership - none

Juniors - discussion on leadership of the program Will be discussed at next EC meeting

Old Business

Audit - Ed has reached out to Tracy Fillow to see if audit is complete. Has not heard back. Will reach out again. There was discussion between W4 vs W9

P and L budget vs actual - nothing

Summary of Coverage insurance - Jeff from VFIS came out to EC and went over coverages.

NFIRs reports - should EMS calls be reported to the state? Wendell has reached out to the state and was told it is NOT required.

Fire Prevention Open House - was held October 6th. Small Attendance, bad weather. State canine was here

MOTION: made by T. Limbos/2nd by S. Dingee **To spend up to \$44.46 for a prop from fire prevention** Voting yes: S. Dingee, B. Donzella, E. Epstein, A. Gawel, G. Hock, R. Kennedy, T. Limbos, E. Matson, M. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Shaw, W. Soule, M. Starr, A. Swagemaker, E. Tuz, MA VanValkenburg. Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

Quickbooks - nothing

New Business

ISO flow test Report- test completed

Drug and Alcohol Policy - draft almost ready

Annual Appeal Letter -nothing

Complaint (noise at firehouse) - Ed is dealing with this

Bookkeeper - Ed met with Tracy Fillow and will be meeting with Jack Kinney in regards to job description

Retain Attorney - Alan and Mary Ann have spoken to atty and we have a letter from the Atty

Treasurer's Report

Caralee read list of bills

MOTION: made by T. Limbos/2nd by A. Swagemaker To pay the bills as read.

Voting yes: S. Dingee, B. Donzella, E. Epstein, A. Gawel, G. Hock, R. Kennedy, T. Limbos, E. Matson, M. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Shaw, W. Soule, M. Starr, A. Swagemaker, E. Tuz, MA VanValkenburg.

Voting no: Abstaining:

Motion passed

Fire Chief's Report -

- Fire Prevention at KCS Thursday morning and afternoon with Pre-K
- KenMont donated snacks and food. Possibly use some at Halloween
- Smoke House in New Milford is looking for metal furniture
- NW Zone getting training schedule together. Audra is working with Tom Bartram on some trainings
- Gator will be used by Warren FD for their fall festival
- Noted our roster is getting smaller

Asst Fire Chief's Report -

Asst Chief Soule reported 10 calls for the month

Ambulance Chief's report -

- Total calls 29
- A2 is having work done (EGR valve) throttle body bad
- Cornwall is holding an EMT course Jan-May cost of \$850/person
- Discussion about new recert process for EMS personnel

Line Officer Reports -

- Lt Dingee reported there will be quarterly training 7pm Thursday evening
- Asst Chief Hock (representing engineer) read a letter from NE Fire in regards to engine 1
- Asst Ambulance Chief Donzella read a letter from Heather Hastings requesting a leave of absence

MOTION: made by M. Petrone/2nd by T. Limbos To to accept Heather Hastings leave of absence request Voting yes: S. Dingee, B. Donzella, E. Epstein, A. Gawel, G. Hock, R. Kennedy, T. Limbos, E. Matson, M. Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Shaw, W. Soule, M. Starr, A. Swagemaker, E. Tuz, MA VanValkenburg. Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

Appointed Officer Reports

Training Officer- aerial class from fire academy has been cancelled

Committee reports

Golf: C. Rochovansky reported they had 90 dinners at the Fife after the tourney. \$23,241.16 profit (as of now). May be a fee to be paid to Bulls Bridge that still has to come out.

Ball: C. Rochovansky reported \$31,551.47 income \$9043.45 in expenses \$21,618.02 profit

Boat: *MOTION*: made by T. Limbos/2nd by M. Starr **To to accept RFP as amended** discussion

Voting yes: S. Dingee, B. Donzella, E. Epstein, A. Gawel, G. Hock, R. Kennedy, T. Limbos, E. Matson, M.

Petrone, C. Rochovansky, J. Shaw, W. Soule, M. Starr, A. Swagemaker, E. Tuz, MA VanValkenburg.

Voting no: Abstaining: **Motion passed**

Parade of Lights: Will be Saturday Dec 7th MA Van Valkenburg, Alan and Ed will take lead on this

Pancake Breakfast: 61 people attended last one. Next one will be October 27th. Going forward it will be the 4th Sunday of the month

Warnings for expenditures:

- Parade of Lights
- Pancake Breakfast
- Santa Express
- New boat Expenses

Meeting adjourned @ 2112

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, Bonnie Donzella

NEXT MEETING: November 4@1900 REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE:

Chair: Alexis Swagemaker

Members: Jean Speck, Matt Starr, Rebecca Trautman