

KENT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

APRIL EC MEETING **APPROVED** MINUTES

04.22.2019 | 1930HRS | KVFD FIREHOUSE MEETING ROOM

ATTENDEES

MEMBERS: B. Donzella, G. Hock, T. Limbos, E. Matson, C. Rochovansky, W. Soule, J. Speck, MA VanValkenburg.

GUESTS & OTHER MEMBERS: John Cirino, Brian DiOrio, Art Romano, Anne McAndrew.

Call to order @ 1940

Minutes of March EC meeting

MOTION: Mary Ann Van Valkenburg/2nd B. Donzella **Accept the minutes as distributed.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, G. Hock, E. Matson, C. Rochovansky, W. Soule, J. Speck, MA VanValkenburg.

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

Membership

MOTION: B. Donzella/ 2nd C. Rochovansky **to recommend John Cirino as an emergency member, pending the outcome of his background check.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, G. Hock, E. Matson, C. Rochovansky, W. Soule, J. Speck, MA VanValkenburg.

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

MOTION: B. Donzella/ 2nd C. Rochovansky **to recommend Anne McAndrew as an auxiliary member, pending the outcome of her background check.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, G. Hock, E. Matson, C. Rochovansky, W. Soule, J. Speck, MA VanValkenburg.

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

Review of probationary activities for Brian DiOrio:

MOTION: B. Donzella/ 2nd C. Rochovansky **to extend the probationary period of Brian D'lorio for six months.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, G. Hock, E. Matson, C. Rochovansky, W. Soule, J. Speck, MA VanValkenburg.

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

Review of probationary activities for Tom Farrell:

MOTION: B. Donzella/ 2nd C. Rochovansky **to enter into executive session.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, G. Hock, E. Matson, C. Rochovansky, W. Soule, J. Speck, MA VanValkenburg.

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

MOTION: B. Donzella/ 2nd MA VanValkenburg **to exit executive session.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, G. Hock, E. Matson, C. Rochovansky, W. Soule, J. Speck, MA VanValkenburg.

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

MOTION: B. Donzella/ 2nd C. Rochovansky **to extend the probationary period of Tom Farrell for six months.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, G. Hock, E. Matson, C. Rochovansky, W. Soule, J. Speck, MA VanValkenburg.

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

Old Busniess

Department Capital Plan - no report

Grease Trap - installed, in the process of making plumbing connection.

SOP changes - no report

Bookkeeper position - Ed will schedule a meeting with Tracy Fillow.

New Business

Bylaws change proposal - no report

Open mowing RFP bids - two bids were opened; one from Haymore Services for \$3,290.00 and one from Hedden Landcare for \$3,125.00.

MOTION: B. Donzella/ 2nd C. Rochovansky **to recommend both bids be presented to the membership for consideration at the next monthly meeting.**

Discussion:

Voting yes: B. Donzella, G. Hock, E. Matson, C. Rochovansky, W. Soule, J. Speck, MA VanValkenburg.

Voting no:

Abstaining:

Motion passed

Back building rental -

- Ed reported the current tenant, Billy Morrison, is interested in renting the remaining space in the back building. He is offering \$2200/month, 80% of the oil bill and 100% of the electric bill, based on an annual rental.
- Regarding the flood - Bill Gawel's insurance carrier, Nationwide, is handling the claim. Because of the damage from the flooding (including carpeting, sheetrock and tile damage), Ed had Coffey Cleaners come begin work. He spoke with Tim Sneller about fixing
- Back building - Ed heard from Eric Epstein, Matt Starr, Caralee Rochovansky and Sherm Green but some members have expressed that they will not serve with certain members, so Ed has decided to not

appoint a committee and will handle any details. Gary recommended Ed contact management companies to take over management of the space.

(T. Limbos arr @2115)

Treasurer report - no report

Fire chief report - no report

Ambulance chief report - Mary Ann reported that May is Bladder Cancer Awareness month and that Alexis is planning to attend two workshops regarding firefighter cancer & PPE.

Line Officers:

Captains: Tim Limbos reported he will be holding 2 more Hazmat refreshers this year

Appointed officers:

Communications - Tim updated the EC on the disappearance of some parts from a department portable radio.

Technology report - Jean reported that the tablet on A2 was damaged and will need to be replaced. She is working with Bonnie and Mary Ann on a replacement unit.

Committee reports:

New Ambulance committee - Art Romano updated the EC on the progress of the committee. The committee is recommending a Type II Mercedes Sprinter unit made by AEV from Eastford Fire & Rescue. The communications equipment would be purchased up front and shipped to AEV for installation. Gary asked if they had looked into a Mercedes with dual wheels in the rear, Art explained that a dual-wheeled unit would be a van front with a small box on the back, which has not been crash tested in the US, and the committee felt they did not want to take that risk. He also asked if we had considered another vendor and Art explained the only other sprinter vendor is Demers, which the closest dealer is in Kentucky, and did not return Art's phone calls. The committee chose not to pursue that avenue.

Art asked that the detailed email that was sent to the EC for tonight's discussion be forwarded to the membership so they can see the details of the purchase.

Ball Committee - moving along and invitations will go out this week.

Back building committee - reports from earlier in minutes

Recruitment & Retention - Club Getaway is hosting & sponsoring our Awards Dinner this year. It will be held on Sunday, June 9th at 5pm. Invites will go out shortly. Mentioned increasing engagement of the Junior program

Meeting adjourned @ 2130

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
JEAN C. SPECK

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 28 MAY @ 1930hrs