

**Board of Directors  
Regular Meeting  
August 12th, 2020  
Mohawk Valley Fire Station #1  
92068 Marcola Rd.**

**Call to Order:** President Woodworth called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

**Roll Call:** Elmer Shew   X   Quentin Holmes   X    
Eric Stevenson    Kevin Woodworth   X   Peggy Schultz   X  

**Approval of Minutes:** July 8th, 2020 board meeting  
President Woodworth asked if there were any corrections to last month's board meeting minutes. There were none. President Woodworth asked for a motion for approval; Quentin motioned to approve, and it was seconded by Elmer. It was approved 4-0.

**Audience Participation (Citizen Testimony):** None

**Correspondence:**  
A letter from the auditor saying everything looks great.

**Emergency Prep Group:**  
No updated

**Financial Report:** July 2020  
The report was reviewed. The highlights include:

- Annual workers compensation payment
- Masks equipment from Cascade Fire

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**Fire Chief Report:** Officer's Report/ Maintenance Report/ Activity Report  
The Activity Report was discussed with highlights that include:

- Standard meetings and some were online due to covid-19. Fire Defense Board meeting was in-person
- Water rescue trainings
- Outside training classes are still cancelled
- Calls are lower than this time last year
- Calls are steady for August

Fire danger is extreme for the weekend.

**Maintenance Report**  
The Maintenance Report was discussed with highlights that include:

- Lots of yard projects
- VFA order (generator paint job and install)

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- The pedal in 1470 goes to the floor and make noise. It still works but Chief says it feels dangerous.
- Order for rescue equipment and parts for the truck
- Peggy helped sewing the throw bags used on rescues
- Flag role repair at station 4

Kevin asked about all the rigs running and they are. There are 12 people on the water rescue team. Other departments are excited for our team. We have already had 4-5 calls at a popular bridge. We anticipate Sweet Home requesting our water rescue team help.

**Old Business:**

1. Grants

We have not heard from the AFG or Firehouse Subs grants. We did receive 2 grants since our last meeting. We got a COVID equipment reimbursement grant. We got the money today. We also got a credit union grant related to COVID. We are going to use that money to extend our summer help position. That person will help with disinfecting surfaces. We are also writing other grants.

2. COVID 19 Update

There are no cases in the Mohawk Valley. We will host a COVID testing station on August 27<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00pm. Peggy asked if it was the quick test but we are not sure.

Peggy asked about any problems with protestors; we have not had any problems.

3. Audit

It is complete and looks good. The auditor will come to our October board meeting.

4. Contract

It was given to the board last month and it is due April 2021. Quentin said he is comfortable moving to a 5 year contract instead of 3. Kevin would like to be at a certain place in the contract review. He suggested leaving the December meeting to talk about the contract.

**New Business:**

1. Board Position

Per the board policy, we will elect members every August in even years. Elmer nominated Kevin for President. It was seconded by Peggy. It was approved 4-0.

Kevin nominated Quentin for Vice President. It was seconded by Peggy.

It was approved 4-0. Elmer nominated Peggy for Secretary/Treasurer. It was seconded by Quentin. It was approved 4-0.

2. Shared Gate

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The neighbors on the hill will be getting an automatic gate to help prevent trespassing. Weyerhaeuser already approved it. The neighbors are requesting that the department pay \$1400 but it is being built without our help, but it does protect our training grounds. Elmer asked about maintenance and Kevin asked about a maintenance contract. We will supply the power to it and they will maintain it. We are not sure when it will be installed. Quentin motioned to approve the payment assistance and supplying electricity to the gate. It was seconded by Elmer. It was approved 4-0.

**Items Not on Agenda:**

SDAO is hosting an executive education academy for Chief and Chief is currently enrolled. They are also going to do host one for board members. The information packets. was handed out the board members.

We may have a deployment this weekend for the Gorge.

Kevin asked about the auction. Jason said it is begin set up online.

Kevin also brought up the idea of sponsoring a golf tournament and feels it would benefit the community.

**Future Meeting Agenda Items:**

**Next meeting is on September 9th, 2020**

Adjourn: Adjourned at 7:31 pm.

President Woodworth asked for a motion for approval; Quentin motioned to approve, and it was seconded by Elmer. It was approved 4-0.

Public comment is invited. Portions of this meeting may be held in executive session as per **ORS 192.660.**

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Agenda Posted: Marcola Community Market, Mohawk Valley Fire District #1, Mohawk General Store, Website.

Submitted by Brenda Williams