

March 14, 2023 - Jay Fire District Commissioners Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present: Matt Miller, Kurt Williams, Morris Coolidge

Commissioners absent: Kevin Lincoln, Scott McDonald

Firemen Present: Ralph

Meeting was opened by Matt at 7:15 Commissioners and Deb used social distancing guidelines during meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer provided an abstract of bills to be paid. Commissioners approved bills on the abstract for \$21,290.99 to be paid out of general fund. Kurt motion to approve all audited bills for the month. Morris seconded, all in favor.

### **Old Business**

No change to bylaws for junior members.

Recirculation pump – back ordered until Feb 8-March 8. – no news

One back up camera here to put on the rescue truck. Not installed yet.

Gear order – \$20,000-\$21,000 total. All ordered. Rec'd 2 boots, Jamie's helmet. Fire dept order – some has come in. Kurt made motion to purchase two additional pair of leather boots, Morris seconded.

Old gear – will be destroyed April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Ralph and Jamie cleaning out chief's room. Cleaning out file cabinets. Need to find out retention policy for different documents. Maybe purchase shredder.

Morris made motion to accept Paul Ford and Reggie Way as members of the fire department, pending physical and background check, Kurt seconded, all in favor.

Morris made motion to order more batteries for pagers, clips for pagers, pager cases, Kurt seconded, all in favor. Budget \$200.

First aid kits purchased by department – will be hung on walls.

### **New Business**

Grant about pickup truck – only \$10,000 – have to pay \$3000 to Liz, net only \$7000. Would have to move right away. Morris will tell Liz that we are not going to go for grant now.

Set up committee to spec out new pumper. Morris, Kurt, Ralph, Jamie & Matt

ANCO will come up to do maintenance on boiler on Weds 3/15/23.

Hyde fuel – before they take over account – need to cathodic test the bags around the tank \$240. If bags do not test good they are \$299 each. Propane 1.75/gal. MX propane 2.50/gal. Matt motion that we go with Hyde, Kurt seconded, all in favor.

Storing file on the cloud – look at setting up for district and department. 365 share point or drop box. 365 share point is \$6/user/month. Get more information from Scott Wilson.

Fire Department would like permission to do an Easter egg hunt on grounds. Morris made motion to allow hunt, Matt seconded, all in favor.

Website changes – wording about different “jobs” at fire dept – not all has to be interior

Winch – harbor freight – Badland winch – \$75 cradle for 12,000 winch, \$350 for 12000 lb winch with steel rope. Plattsburgh Spring could mount it. Matt motion to purchase cradle and winch, Morris seconded, all in favor.

Ladies auxiliary – several spouses, partners would like to start auxiliary. Matt will check to see if it needs to be official

200’ white rope \$192 (last year) Matt motion to purchase rope, Kurt seconded, all in favor.  
Budget \$250

AuSable would like Jay to standby at their station for mutual aid. Ralph would like the commissioners to write letter to AuSable that states that Jay firefighters will standby in Jay station during mutual aid.

Paleface house being rented as a lodge. The insurance company needed a fire protection plan – Jay fire dept visited sight and there are numerous issues with providing emergency services. A letter needs to be written to owners to state we can’t guarantee to provide emergency services all year long. Ask the attorney for the NY districts to see if that would be “singling” out this owner.

Lawn – Mike Darrah will be resigning and someone else needs to mow. Mention to the newer younger members to see if someone is interested.

Kurt made motion to adjourn meeting, Scott seconded, all in favor 8:54 pm