

# **POQUONNOCK BRIDGE FIRE DISTRICT**

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Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes May 9, 2024

**Present:** President Ron Yuhas, Vice President Kevin Marquardt, Jon Luther, Randy Ackley, Clerk/Treasurer Susan Aguiar, Chief Rheaume, Deputy Chief Lowell and District Administrator Mary Santos

**Absent**: Members Al Luther, Gale Goode, Richard Marquardt and Ron Johnson

At 6:09 p.m. President Ron Yuhas announced the call to order with the time, date and place. Roll call was taken to establish a quorum. A moment of silence and a pledge to the flag followed.

## **Remarks from Visitors:**

n/a

## **Approval of Previous Minutes:**

MOTION: It was MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED to accept the meeting minutes of April 15, 2024 and May 8, 2024.

## Reports and Communications:

Chief Rheaume's report was submitted, read and accepted for the record. There was a discussion about the Fire Alarm Truck and it was agreed that Chief Rheaume would look into selling the truck. Deputy Chief Lowell's report was submitted, read and accepted for the record. Fire Marshal Bednarz's report was accepted for the record.

### Old Business

a. Treasury Bond: A motion was made by Vice President Marquardt and seconded by Clerk/Treasurer Aguiar to purchase a Treasury Bond in the amount of \$50,000 with a yield of 5.15% and a maturity date of 02/20/25 from Trinity Point. The motion passed unanimously. President Yuhas would like to revisit putting more money in the OPEB fund once we receive additional permit money.

#### New Business

- a. A motion was made by Clerk/Treasurer Aguiar and seconded by Randy Ackley to hire Costello Company for our annual audit, Milliman for our annual OPEB audit and Attorney Michael Satti as our counsel for FYE 2025. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. A motion was made by Clerk/Treasurer Aguiar and seconded by Vice President Marquardt to set the mill rate for fiscal year 2024-2025 to 4.70. The motion passed unanimously.

- c. President Yuhas asked District Administrator Santos to send a letter to Board Member Ron Johnson explaining to him that attending the board meetings are imperative in order to make sure we have a quorum. Because he has not been attending the meetings this letter will serve as notice that he is being removed from the board so his spot can be replaced by a new member.
- d. President Yuhas asked District Administrator Santos to look into holding the Annual meeting and Monthly Board Meeting on the same night.
- e. The suspense list was presented by District Administrator Santos and approved and signed by Clerk/Treasurer Aguiar.

## Good of the Department

N/A

## Presentation and payment of bills

Treasurer/Clerk Aguiar announced that the bills to be paid for April 2024 in the amount of \$108,687.68 were accepted.

MOTION: At 7:00 PM it was MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED to adjourn. The next regular meeting will be held on June 13, 2024.

Respectfully submitted, Susan M. Aguiar, Clerk Poquonnock Bridge Fire District