

GENESEE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors' Meeting
Minutes for February 21, 2018

Board Members in Attendance: Alan Avery, Chuck Iobe, Chris Jacobsen, Scott Mefford, Beth Moran

Call to Order: 18:09 by Al Avery

Minutes of Prior Meetings:

A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept the minutes of the January 17, 2018, Board meeting.

Public Comment and Announcements

None

Financial Reports

Christina Shea presented the January, 2018, financial report. After a brief discussion, a motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept the financials as presented.

Reports of Officers, Chiefs, & Committees

Deputy Chief Sheehan reported on the following:

Call volume year-to-date is 29, up 33% from that of the same period 2017 (21). The majority of the calls continue to be medical. Average call response time is down by one-half (13 min in 2017 to 6 min 2018).

Event Coordinator M. Villa reported that the annual recognition party was well attended. He is now working on organizing the annual Open House, scheduled for 9/15/2018.

Apparatus Coordinator J. Auster reported there are currently warranty problems with 931 based on escalated EPA requirements. The committee evaluating replacement of 932 expects to have manufacturer presentations on 4/15.

Medical Coordinator M. Pantaleo has held two trainings with an I-gel focus.

Training Chief R. Babcock's report is attached to the agenda. There was no discussion.

There was no report from Recruiting Coordinator J. Boyles.

There is a new position for Facilities Coordinator, to be filled by N. Frame. This coordinator will oversee the station grounds, bay, and interior.

Old Business: Chief Puffett

Attorney of Record engagement letter was signed by Board President A Avery.

Communications Update:

JCMARS IGA is finalized and was signed by Board President A Avery. The Lookout Mtn Tower was tested successfully on 2/20 and will be fully operational on 3/05/18.

JEFFCOM is on track to transition the first week in April, 2018.

New Business:

Facilities: The storm drain at the front of the building has failed. A short-term solution has been implemented with a permanent solution to be undertaken when the weather allows.

Board of Directors Election: Self-nomination applications have been received for two of the three open positions.

Election Campaign: Genesee Foundation member and GFR Community Outreach Coordinator, Nancy Balter, discussed the proposed campaign for the May election: timing, outreach, community stakeholders, message.

May Ballot Questions: Two ballot questions were discussed: raise the mill levy by 1.5 mills; raise the mill levy but also include an option to "de-Gallagherize". The Board agreed that the second option to de-Gallagherize would be the best option, however, was disappointed in the legal language. Chief Puffett and Board Treasurer Chris Jacobsen agreed to negotiate more transparent wording with the law firm Collins, Cockrel, Cole to make the language less ambiguous. Assuming their success, the Board authorized N Balter to proceed with the campaign as discussed.

The following resolution was made and adopted unanimously:

It is hereby resolved that the Genesee Fire Protection District will seek a 1.5 mill levy increase on its May ballot. The ballot question that includes de-Gallagherizing will be the question on the ballot, subject to Chief Puffett and Treasurer Jacobsen discussing and obtaining less ambiguous language.

Adjourned

The Board meeting was adjourned at 20:00 hours.