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DALTON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

APRIL 25, 2023

Present: Jim Driscoll, Camillus Cachat, Michael Kubicki Treasurer/Clerk Melanie Roucoulet,

Chief James Peltier, Water Superintendent Bob Benlien

Public: Tom Irwin, Sabrina – iberkshires,

Jim Driscoll called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

General Business:

- Minutes
 - o Jim Driscoll made a motion to accept the minutes from February 28th, March 28th and April 11th as printed, Camillus Cachat seconded, approved unanimously.

Ambulance:

- Several severe ALS calls over the past month.
- The second Ambulance has arrived, the lettering was changed, Just needs a license to put it on the road.
- D-5 needs some maintenance work done to it.
- Town Member sent in a hardship letter hoping to get a discount on Ambulance bill, Chief looking into.

Fire Department:

- AFG grant finalized for 30 Airpacks.
- State grant of \$15,500.00 awarded, department has to pay for parts up front and then will be reimbursed.
- The new Ladder truck is in its last stage of painting, it will go to Docs for lettering once received.
- We are hoping to offer an EMT class through the fire department.

Water Department:

- Bob has been working on backflow testing and also 6 month meter readings.
- Richard has given his 2 weeks notice to The water department.
- Curb shop at 92 Central Ave has been repaired.
- Flushing notices have been sent out as well as a code red reverse 911.
- Bob and Ryan have attended a meter reading technology class.
- Top soiled and seeded around the hydrant on the top of Hemlock Hill.
- All of the sites have been cleaned up after the spring storm.

Treasurer's Report:

- Working on all of the water bill payments that have been coming in.
- Finalizing the budget for FY24.
- Preparing for the Annual Meeting and Election
- Working with Jeff on finalizing FY23 so we can certify free cash.

General Business

Native Plant Trust is looking to use some of the district's property, Bob is going to contact them regarding insurance.

Tom Irwin questioned the district's plans on purchasing The Dalton Garage, Jim stated that we are still waiting to find out what we have for free cash and has no plans as of now to try and purchase the builing.

Tom Irwin also had some questions for the chief regarding the EMT classes that we are hoping to have at the department.

The next meeting will be May 30, 2023 at 6:30pm

Jim Driscoll made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 seconded by Cam Cachat, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Roucoulet

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