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DALTON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

August 29, 2023

Present: Jim Driscoll, Camillus Cachat, Michael Kubicki, Melanie Roucoulet, Al Nadeau, Richard Olsted, Interim Chief Robert Czerwinski,, Water Superintendent Bob Benlien, Thomas Murray, Ambulance Director Randy Crowe, Daniel Filiault.

Public: Sabrina Damns, Dr Henry Rose, Tom Irwin, Andy Subroski
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 July 25, 2023, as printed, Michael Kubicki seconded, approved unanimously.

Ambulance:

- We have responded to 153 calls in August. 50 Fire, 103 EMS
- Sugar Hill has had a spike in Covid positive patients, keeping an eye on Craneville Place.
- Interview tomorrow for a per diem paramedic/Firefighter.

Fire Department:

- Several of the Fire Apparatus needs inspections and maintenance work in September.
- The Boston Ladder Truck was returned.
- Engine 2 passed inspection earlier in the month.
- Structure fire on 08/20 at 15 Judith Dr, fire was extinguished but would like to have some training on a few things.
- The weather has been good for training nights, last nights training was on ventilation procedures.
- Northern Fire has pushed the delivery of the new Ladder Truck out until the second week of October.

Water Department:

- Bob purchased a Zero-turn lawn mower to replace the old John Deere riding mower.
- All shut off notices have been handed out.
- On Saturday July 29th a car hit a hydrant on High Street, the hydrant was rebuilt, painted and reinstalled.
- The water bars on Reservoir Rd have been graded and repaired.
- The Biodiversity Research Institute has deployed the rearing pens for the Loon Translocation project at Windsor Reservoir. They will remain there until the end of summer.
- I.T.S came in and calibrated the flow potentiometers at the Housatonic and Don Elser pump Stations.
- Alex painted the gate to Pinecrest Tank.
- 39 Dig safes have been completed this month.

- The water department still has a job opening, Bob has 3 interviews set up for next week.
 - o Dr Henry Rose requested water reports from Bob.
 - o Questions regarding fluoride in the water were asked.
 - o Requests for Fluoride level listed on the consumers report.
 - o Also requests for Pittsfield's water testing reports.

Treasurer's Report:

- Treasurer is working on year end Gasb reporting, State of Indebtedness and end of year WC audit.
- Shut Off notices have been printed and given to water department.
- Final payment on the newest Fire Truck has been made.
- Final payments for semi annual billing have been coming in, down to about \$20,000 dollars due.
- Getting ready to start balancing August Statements.

Tom Irwin had some questions regarding Mutual Aid to other towns with the ambulance.

The next meeting will be September 26, 2023 at 6:30pm

Jim Driscoll made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 seconded by Cam Cachat, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Roucoulet

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Treasurer/Clerk

