

DALTON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

February 27, 2018

Present: Chair Jim Driscoll, Camillus Cachat, Michael Kubicki, Fire Chief Cahalan,
Water Superintendent Benlien, Clerk Cheryl Cachat
Public: Chad Scovil, Richard Hall, Al Nadeau
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 January 23, 2018 and January 23, 2018 executive session as printed, Cam Cachat seconded, approved unanimously
- Correspondence - None
- Net Metering Credits
 - o Cam Cachat questioned the estimated amount the district will receive
 - o Mike Kubicki has concern about the length a contract and questioned the ability to one year opt out clause
 - o Jim Driscoll voiced concern about past failures in attempts to gain electric credits and the process of receiving the credit, calculating and refunding the management group and voiced he is not in favor
 - o Jim called for a roll call vote of in favor or against
 - Jim Driscoll - no
 - Mike Kubicki – yes
 - Cam Cachat – yes
 - Cam Cachat made a motion to enter into a contract with Energy Price Management Group for net metering credits
 - Mike Kubicki second – based on one year opt out contingency being in the contract
 - Cam and Mike aye, Jim nay, motion passes
- Ambulance Report
 - o more personnel are in process of being added, but is weak in the overnight staff time frame
 - o Mike Kubicki asked if the overnight shift stays at the station – Chad clarified that if the person is within a 6 minute response area no.
 - o Mike Kubicki asked about insurance liability for the hired staff, Chad stated they are covered under the Firemen's Association policy

Fire Department:

- Currently at 159 calls for this year, which is average
- Chief brought up the idea of charging for annual inspections for the business in town. Currently many operations have quarterly inspections, but he would charge an annual fee as the town does
- Update on proposed new fire truck purchase
 - o Sharkerly will hold current cost until May 15, if appropriation passes at annual meeting will enter into contract
- Chief has final numbers for the new pick up to be added to FY19 budget. Mike questioned if a vehicle already owned by the District could serve the need, all the options for current vehicles have been looked at previously

- At this time Chief is considering offering Humvee to other departments as it is not utilized here

Water Department:

- Printed report from Superintendent attached to official minutes
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Treasurer's Report:

- 15 accounts, \$2,652.66 in late accounts. Most are on payment plans, 8 accounts have made no contact
- Cleaning & archiving files
- Had two meetings for budget Jan 30 with Fire Chief, Feb 13 with Treasurer, need to schedule for next session
 - Next budget meeting will be March 21st at 3:30 pm at the fire station

Other New Business:

- Richard Hall asked for clarification of earlier vote on net metering contract
- Michael Brigley brought up the option of the Dalton Fire District being a host and the benefits
- Michael explained that being a public host allowed the district to host up to 10Megawatt, their company ensures that the excess credits of the project are allocated to other business with the possibility of 9 megawatts being sold to other entities
- This requires no further work on our part their company would monitor and maintain all
- First step is to obtain a DPU number
- Will bring more information to the next meeting

Next regular meeting will be March 27, 2018 at 6:30pm

Jim Driscoll made a motion to adjourn at 6:58 pm, seconded by Mike Kubicki, passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Cachat
Treasurer/Clerk