

**HYANNIS FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING**

Date of Meeting:	Thursday, February 11, 2021
Meeting Place:	95 High School Road Extension, Hyannis, MA 02601 and Zoom Meeting and Dial-in Number: 781-368-1701

A quorum being duly present, Commissioner Cronin called the February 11, 2021 Hyannis Fire District Commissioner Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

PRESENT: Commissioners Laura Cronin, Peter Cross, Victor Skende, Dennis Sullivan, and Demetrius Atsalis

ALSO PRESENT: Chief Peter Burke and Recording Secretary Colleen Murphy

I. OPEN SESSION:

1. MINUTES:

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2021 Regular Meeting

VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

Vote recorded as follows:

- Commissioner Sullivan: Aye
- Commissioner Cronin: Aye
- Commissioner Skende: Aye
- Commissioner Cross: Aye
- Commissioner Atsalis: Aye

2. CORRESPONDENCE:

- None

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- None

4. STREET LIGHTS:

- Commissioner Atsalis asked Commissioner Cross who within the Town he should ask about lighting at the Dollar Store on Main Street and their lights on Pine Ave.
- It was suggested to speak with FF Dave Webb

5. OLD BUSINESS:

- None

6. NEW BUSINESS

6a. Building Committee report

- Commissioner Cronin stated she had asked to keep this item on the agenda to keep the board up-to-date on the building report and to bring up any issues that may come up
- Commissioner Skende said the epoxy floor would cost \$6165 for CTA to fix and so he thought it might be time to forgo the fix with CTA and close this item out

6a. Building Committee report continued

- Commissioner Skende said the scratches that need to be fixed on the epoxy floor are just cosmetic
- Commissioner Cross stated he called a local company regarding the insulation gaps that need fixing to make sure the HFD was not dealing in bad faith with local business and was told the reason the local insulation company did not bid was due to the only option being a spray in foam and that meant the fire house would have to close for 2 or 3 days so the local company realizing this would not happen did not bid
- Commissioner Cross said Paul Griffin from CTA is working on finding a company for the insulation fix
- Commissioner Cross said the junction box for the back-up generator, when it arrives it will be installed by the electrician along with the call box in case there is no one at the fire house and someone shows up with an emergency - the phone will be available to call 911
- Commissioner Cross stated that Paul Griffin had sent both Commissioner Cross and Skende an email with a list of small items
- Commissioner Cross said the furnace people came and showed Christopher McCarthy, HFD Support Services Assistant how to reset the furnace when there are high and low warnings and balance the furnace
- Chief Burke stated as previously reported there was a payment discrepancy identified between a software vendor and the District as part of the building project
- The discrepancy was investigated through our legal counsel by the insurance investigator
- The insurance investigator has concluded the investigation and has found the District responsible for the unpaid invoices
- Invoices are payable to SHI, payment will be going through this clearing house and will be paid to our CAD and EMS software vendor
- The total due is \$97,289.25; this is in 2 separate invoices – 1 invoice having been half paid is \$65,000 and the 2nd invoice is for a final 25% of \$32,000
- This money was appropriated within the building budget under the Technology line item - so this expenditure is covered

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to pay the \$97,289.25 due to SHI

Discussion: Commissioner Cronin stated she just wanted to bring closure to this issue and was happy to see it resolved

VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

Vote recorded as follows:

Commissioner Cross: Aye
Commissioner Cronin: Aye
Commissioner Skende: Aye
Commissioner Sullivan: Aye
Commissioner Atsalis: Aye

- Chief Burke said that the building committee has had on its list since the beginning of the project a scissor lift for the apparatus bay
- United Rentals has a used scissor lift that would suit the fire house needs and the total cost would be \$14,250 off the state bid contract - a new scissor lift would be closer to \$30,000
- To rent a scissor lift, a few times a month, you would end up with multiple fees for pick-off, drop-off, rental, etc

6a. Building Committee report continued

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted to purchase the \$14,250 scissor lift

VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

Vote recorded as follows:

- Commissioner Cross: Aye
- Commissioner Atsalis: Aye
- Commissioner Sullivan: Aye
- Commissioner Skende: Aye
- Commissioner Cronin: Aye

7. ITEMS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY THE CHAIR

- None

8. CHIEF'S REPORT

- Chief Burke stated the HFD continues to work on the Covid-19 vaccinations; 2nd of 4 first vaccination clinics held at the Community Center
- Generally negative feedback at the February 10, 2021 clinic located at the Melody Tent although when we spoke to a few people we did get some positive feedback
- The Melody Tent clinic was run by the county and about 1300 people attended; there were too many people in attendance and moving forward there will be a total of 500 per day
- Adding to the 1300 people, there were also a large number of people who self-reported to the Melody Tent clinic which created another issue
- Continuing to work on the replacement for car C8; we do have quotes on the chassis but we are still working on it
- Chief Burke emailed the Town Attorney Karen Nobel and Town Planning and Development Director Elizabeth Jenkins regarding the Tax Increment Financing
- In response to Chief Burke's email, Director Jenkins responded in the affirmative stating the Town did not have the ability to affect the Tax collection ability
- Commissioner Cross asked if Marine 1 was being worked on; Chief Burke said the boat had not been pulled out of the water but when time and funding allocates the ability to pull the boat for work

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

II. POTENTIAL EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Commissioner Cross said there is no Executive Session needed but wanted to update the Board the he and Commissioner Sullivan have received the proposal from the Union 2172, and Commissioners Cross and Sullivan also have met with Chief Burke twice to discuss; Commissioner Cross has requested to set up a meeting with Union 2172 to start formal negotiations in the near future

Vote on Adjournment of public session:

Upon a motion fully made and seconded it was voted to Adjourn the public session

VOTE: PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

Vote recorded as follows:

- Commissioner Cross: Aye
- Commissioner Sullivan: Aye
- Commissioner Skende: Aye
- Commissioner Cronin: Aye
- Commissioner Atsalis: Aye

Adjourned at 7:29 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen E. Murphy, Recording Secretary, Hyannis Fire District