

**Copenhagen Volunteer Fire Department
Main Street
Copenhagen, New York**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS Meeting Minutes

Held on: April 21, 2022

Minutes Taken by: Diana Russell

Copenhagen Volunteer Fire Department (herein after referred to as CVFD)

Members Present (Attendance sheet attached hereto)

James Henry-President Present

Terry Williams-VP Present

Brandy Kuehnle-Treasure Absent

Diana Russell-Secretary Absent

Also present: Roger Bates, Jerry Flanders, Shane Henry, Bryan Sheitz, Gerald Snyder, Paul Wheeler, TJ Williams

**Call to Order by President, James Henry at 7 p.m.*

MOTION PROPOSED BY: TERRY WILLIAMS

To accept the new bylaws and forward them to the membership for approval.

SECOND: JERRY FLANDERS

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: ROGER BATES

To have the bylaws sent to the lawyer to get all set after it is accepted by the Membership.

SECOND: JERRY FLANDERS

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: LYNN HENRY

To pay the State and Northern Team dues from the Drill Team Account

SECOND: PAUL WHEELER

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: JERRY FLANDERS

To purchase one Steering raffle ticket from the General Fund

SECOND: GERALD SNYDER

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION PROPOSED BY: TERRY WILLIAMS

To purchase one Steering raffle ticket from the Cubs Drill Team out of the Drill Team account

SECOND: SHANE HENRY

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-there is one Steering ticket left if someone wants it.

-Jim has everything ready to get the titles that are missing. Jim will go out in the morning to finish that up. We had a title to the tractor and trailers as copies, we have a copy of the title, but will take care of it.

-Lynn indicated we need to start thinking with not a lot of money coming in, when auxiliary uses the hall, they may have to pay some rate of something. Jim indicated we will review the contract to see what it says. At this point, we don't know what is going to happen with the money.

-How much is our lawyer costing? Bill hasn't been sent yet, but we have inquired. Waiting on a response. He is trying to get a meeting set up with the Village and their Lawyer. Haven't gotten a response yet.

-the Village is holding the \$35,000 from Champion. Judgment says that it was supposed to be split between the districts. TJ went to the meeting and asked questions. It's apparently in a reserve account since September of that year. TJ asked why it was in a reserve account. The mayor said "we will see what happens". The Board wrote a lettering requesting a meeting between the village board, the CVFD BOD and both lawyers and they said that it had to be by the chief. The chief asked on the spot to have a meeting and work together and move forward and they said they can try to set one up. Mark has emailed TJ. They have been forward to the President. He has requested on 4/18, any updates on the requests for financial reports and titles for vehicles. He also requested the diesel fuel use from last year. They are looking at a shared service for fuel. TJ did not respond.

-TJ just emailed Mark back. We are working on getting the titles, as above, what reports they are looking for for additional treasurers reports.

-Mark emailed TJ back on Thursday morning and said, he would like the same reports sent, but as a cash basis report. They should be printed as a pdf instead of scanning. Mark said the titles are all in the safe so we shouldn't have an issue with those. And he would like the diesel usage reports from last year.

- MOTION PROPOSED BY:TERRY WILLIAMS

Not to send the Village any paperwork until we have a meeting with the Village, the Board, our attorney and their attorney. The village should also be contacting the board in writing through the chief for any information.

SECOND: SHANE HENRY

*ALL IN FAVOR
MOTION CARRIED*

-Lynn indicated that excess money, not contract money, should be given over to the Department.

-We will be sending all materials to OUR lawyer and he will determine what goes to the Village, as the Village want all communication sent through the lawyers. It is not up to the chief to send paperwork, it has to go through the administrative line.

-Jerry indicated he got the key for the filing cabinet. All new Village policies will be sent to our attorney for review and guidance.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: JERRY FLANDERS

To give Jim Henry permission to use his credit card up to \$20 for mailing of materials from the Village to our attorney

SECOND: ROGER BATES

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

-Terry Hannigan indicated the paperwork for the incorporation amendment paperwork is completed.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: TERRY WILLIAMS

Motion to Adjourn Board of Directors Meeting

SECOND: PAUL WHEELER

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

**Meeting of the Board of Directors of the CVFD adjourned by Motion at 7:35 p.m.*

***Minutes of the April 21, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting taken and transcribed by Diana Russell, Notary Public, in and for the State of New York.*