

FIRE DISTRICT #1 MONTHLY MEETING

Minutes

MAY 16, 2018

1. OPEN MEETING – The May 16, 2018 Fire District #1 monthly meeting was opened by Chairman Jeffery Richards at 7:00PM. Those present: Jeffery Richards, Jeremy Labrecque, Norman Labrecque, Noreen Labrecque, April Busfield and Gary Leach
2. APPROVE MINUTES - April 18, 2018 – On a motion by Jeff and seconded by Norman the April 18, 2018 Fire District #1 monthly meeting minutes were unanimously approved as written.
3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS – no action
4. REPORT FROM OPERATOR
 - A. Flushing hydrants – April stated that she and Brian started to flush hydrants last week but had to stop after completing one hydrant because the volume that West Stewartstown is using due to their major water leak (s) will not allow for flushing to take place without disruption of water for Fire District #1 users. She explained that the day she and Brian started to flush hydrants they had flushed the one on Gale Street and were beginning to flush the second located at 509 Gale Street when Noreen informed them that Christian Hill was out of water so they stopped at that point. She stated that it is imperative that the flushings take place because with the extra use of the well, due to the West Stewartstown leaks, it is creating a buildup of sediment in the main lines.
5. TATA AND HOWARD
 - A. UPDATE ON PROJECTS – Gary informed the board that he believed the Fire Safety Permit will be issued before the project begins. There are a few additions that the State Fire Marshall is requiring for the project and Gary thought these could be done fairly inexpensively. Dave will meet with Chris on Monday at the site. April suggested that the existing telephone line to the pump house could be used for the phone/DSL service to the contractor's trailer.
 - B. APPROVE AND SIGN USDA Monthly Project Request – On a motion by Jeff and seconded by Norman MBR#23 for contract #4 was approved and executed by Chairman Jeffery Richards. (Note: Jeremy recused from this vote due to his association with the project). USDA Grant funds will be used to cover these invoices. Gary stated that the next request from DL Hebert will probably include a partial payment for the filtration system from Pure Flow which will be substantial. This may be requested before the next monthly meeting. On a motion by Jeff and seconded by Norman the board (excluding Jeremy) approved holding a special meeting to execute this MBR if need be.

On a motion by Jeremy and seconded by Norman MBR#1 for the FY17 Project was approved unanimously by the board and executed by Chairman Jeffery Richards. Interim financing will be used to cover this invoice.

6. OLD/OTHER BUSINESS –

A. Stewartstown not fixing leaks – options

The board discussed the problem of the water leak(s) in Stewartstown. As April mentioned before she is unable to flush hydrants due to the increased volume going to Stewartstown. The board tried to reach out to Chairman Wilman Allen (Stewartstown Water Precinct) to set up a meeting with their board to discuss possibly shutting off the valve at the bridge for the amount of time it will take to flush the hydrants in Canaan. Noreen will try tomorrow to contact the Stewartstown Water Precinct board to set up a meeting to discuss this option as well get a timeline on when they expect to fix the leaks.

B. Forest Committee Meeting – May 17th at 6:00PM – Review RFP for road – Jeremy, Jeff and Noreen agreed to attend this meeting.

C. No further discussion or business took place.

7. ADJOURN MEETING – Chairman Jeffery Richards adjourned the May 16, 2018 Fire District #1 monthly meeting at 8:00 PM.