

Sept 12, 2023 - Jay Fire District Commissioners Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present: Matt Miller, Scott McDonald, Morris Coolidge, Kurt Williams, Kevin Lincoln

Commissioners absent:

Firemen Present: Ralph

Guests: Merritt Dubay

Meeting was opened by Matt at 7:02.

Secretary/Treasurer provided an abstract of bills to be paid. Commissioners approved bills on the abstract for \$5,897.13. Kurt made a motion to approve all audited bills for the month. Morris seconded, all in favor.

### **Old Business**

Paver blocks around sign and fill with pea gravel. Then can put flowers in boxes. Morris estimated \$600 from Ward Lumber. Ward does not have blocks that can be cut. It will be \$670 in order to get blocks from Taylor rental – ones that can be cut. Morris and Trevor Gravelle will do it. Matt made motion to purchase blocks with budget for \$700, Kurt seconded, all in favor.

Side panels for sign is ordered.

Hot water heater – installed

Fence – Freedom fence - \$18,900 – with us doing removal of old fence. Lee and Jody Emery – revised estimate \$10,993 with new footage. Getting third quote.

Gear – Sept 18 is shipped date and will arrive at end of the year. Brian Gokey new salesperson (out of Malone).

Cloud storage – Deb and Ralph working on it – go with drop box

Capital reserve fund – NYS rate 4-5% Community Bank- 4% for 6 months.

NewyorkClass.org- Scott provided information for review

Truck meeting 9/20 – KME representative will be here at 6:30pm. Got spec sheet for truck to begin working on items on “list”

Cell Tower – waiting to hear.

Hose testing – booked for rest of year.

Jaws – Morris took to Apple Valley – pressure tested pump and looked at leak. Hoses can be replaced for \$2200 (\$1320 if we use our own fittings). Cutter, spreader and batteries is approx. \$32,000. Fire Dept would use letter drive to possible cover \$10,000 cover the ram. Kevin thinks we need to replace jaws – New quote from MES – demo equipment on truck \$35,000 – 3 pieces, batteries – MES warranty (10 year) if it was new. Cutter \$10,900, Spreader 11,100, ram 7600, batteries (6) 5000, chargers 1500 – to get cutter, spreader, 4- batteries, 2- chargers,

inspection \$26,000 (rounded). Possibly \$3000 from dept. Kevin made motion to have permissive referendum to take \$26,000 out of maintenance reserve to purchase cutter, spreader, batteries. Scott seconded, Morris – no, Scott – yes, Kevin – yes, Kurt – yes, Matt- yes

Spectrum – Josh Crowningshield is going to get back to us.

Budget – worked on budget amounts for 2024.

### **New Business**

Kevin made motion for budget for \$1000 to purchase inverter for 178, Matt seconded, all in favor.

Kurt getting price for epoxy on bay floor.

Fire extinguisher inspections coming up.

2024 Budget hearing will be Tuesday October 17, 2023

Morris made motion to adjourn meeting, Kurt seconded, all in favor 8:59 pm