## ENDWELL FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING 2021 BUDGET WORK SESSION JULY 29, 2020

Members:

Carlton "Andy" Anderson, Chairman George "Mickey" Bush, Secretary Don Battaglini Kenneth Del Bianco Mark Storm Others present:

Anthony "Tony" Fiacco, Treasurer Erika Pereira, Administrative Assistant Tom Palazzo, Fire Chief

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Del Bianco to approve requesting a credit card from M&T Bank and assigning Erika Pereira as the Card Program Administrator. All aye; motion carried.

Discussion of planning of the 2021 budget. The Board went over every budget line and compared actual expenses from 2019 and 2020 expenses through July 2020, to plan for the 2021 budget.

There was some discussion on projects to be completed and equipment to be purchased in 2021. Chief Palazzo would like to see about getting a new SCBA air compressor for filling the bottles. The rough price for replacing is about \$68,000. The Board would like to see this purchase completed in 2022.

Member Storm will reach out to Kyle Ferrero with Penn-York Construction to see what could be done to prolong replacing Station 1 roof. Last year Kyle Ferraro submitted a price quote of \$160,000.00 to replace the roof and it was thought at that time to place that quote in the 2021 budget but with the current economy due to COVID-19 the Board thought it was better to hold off a year or two.

Company Member Anderson will reach out to our insurance agent, William L. VanGorder, with NBT Insurance Agency to see if he could get some prices for our general insurance, workers comp insurance, and disability insurance so we can pull in the most accurate number to put into the budget.

There was some discussion on helping fund the 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary celebration. Member Bush will reach out to our attorney, Mark Butler, to make sure the District can actually help fund the event. If the Fire District can help with the funding the Board would want to make sure the amount will fit within the budget without causing an increase.

The maximum total to be raised by taxes is \$1,286,536.00. There was discussion on staying at the same budget number as last year or below. They do not feel it is financially responsible for the District to plan for any large purchases or projects at this time if it is not truly needed.

There also was some discussion on funding for the capital reserve fund for apparatus and equipment and the time line of purchases for equipment and apparatus.

The next scheduled budget work session is scheduled for Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Storm to adjourn at 8:00 pm. All aye; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

George M. Bush

GMB/EP