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ANSONIA MEDICAL RESCUE SERVICES COMMISSION

April 5, 2010

Regular Meeting

Present: Jerome Fainer, Chairman
Steve Blume
Dave Geloso
Scott Nihill

Absent: James Walsh

Others Present: Eileen Krugel, Grant Writer

The regular meeting of the Ansonia Rescue Medical Services Commission was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Fainer.

All present rose and pledged allegiance to the Flag.

The secretary called the roll.

The Chairman declared a quorum present.

Public Session

Chairman Fainer asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to address the commission.

Eileen Krugel, Grant Writer for the City of Ansonia
36 Cedar St.
Ansonia, Ct.

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Ms. Krugel said that she and Joanne Sjogren attended the Assistance to Firefighter Grants Workshop. The workshop was beneficial. There are two grants that the City applied for and by April 12, 2010 we should know whether or not we got them. On April 13, 2010 the new grant cycle opens. We should know what we want to pursue in the new grant cycle and make application. New applications have to be submitted by May 6, 2010. There are two pending grant applications we are waiting for a decision on - they are for a new vehicle (rescue) and for gear (washing machine and clothes dryer).

Chairman Fainer asked about the \$500,000 Safer Grant.

Ms. Krugel said there is no \$500,000 Safer Grant for Ansonia. There were a lot of rumors around town that there was a grant awarded for a paid Fire Chief and a paid Asst. Fire Chief. She said this is not true and if anyone hears any rumors please contact her.

Chairman Fainer asked if there was anyone else from the public who would like to address the commission. He asked three times. There being no one, he closed the public session.

Minutes

Mr. Geloso made a motion to accept as written and place on file the minutes of the Special Meeting March 18, 2010. Mr. Blume seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Bills

CAG	Monthly fee	\$5,434.77
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Note: by joining NAEMT last month we saved an additional \$583 this month

VE Ralph	oxygen regulator repair	\$ 67.50
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Boundtree Medical	Replacement multicuff gauge	\$ 47.82
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Boundtree Medical	Replacement connector for gauge	\$ 12.36
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Stryker	Replacement stair chair hand grip	\$ 24.17
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Stryker	Replacement stair chair wheel lock	\$ 23.01
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Dowling Ford	Headlight assemble – Car 8	\$ 154.85
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WB Mason	Copy paper	\$ 65.98
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Auto Repairs	Car 7 oil change	\$ 294.34
Auto Repairs	Car 9 oil change	\$ 103.79
Auto Repairs	Car 7 door ajar switch	\$ 46.96
Auto Repairs	Car 8 replaced headlight	\$ 81.60
CAG	Insurance refund – duplicate payment	\$ 626.66

There was a discussion on the bills to be paid. Mr. Geloso explained the broken oxygen regulator that needed repair and the gauges that were needed to repair the regulator. He said the Stryker repairs included fixing the chair. Car 8 headlight broke off and was repaired with a new headlight assembly. Car 7 & Car 9 needed oil. Car 7 needed to have the door repaired. CAG insurance fraud – this was a refund of funds.

Mr. Blume made a motion to pay all bills if found to be correct. Mr. Nihill seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Purchase Requests:

EMSAR	Annual Service of Stretchers & Stair chairs	\$ 492.00
Savelives.com	Medical Supplies	\$ 417.30
Boundtree Medical	Medical Supplies	\$1023.88
Laerdal	Training Supplies for CPR	\$ 429.00
Request for Reimbursement	Refreshments – Jr. Corps	\$ 150.00
New England Cap	48 Hats	\$ 480.00

Mr. Geloso explained the purchase requests. He said EMSAR is the service that comes in and inspects the chairs. Savelives.com and Boundtree Medical are requests for medical supplies. Laerdal is for training supplies for the CPR training. Reimbursement for refreshments for the Jr. Corp was requested by Bob Reichelt for the Life Star Flight informational session to be held here in Ansonia on May 12, 2010. New England Cap is for 48 baseball caps at \$10 each with the ARMS logo so that they can be given to both the Jr. and Sr. Volunteer Corp members.

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Mr. Blume said that ARMS doesn't have 48 people for 48 caps.

A discussion followed on the number of baseball caps that would be purchased for the ARMS group.

Mr. Blume made a motion to purchase 24 baseball caps from New England Cap instead of 48 caps. Mr. Nihill seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Chief Drivers Report – Jack Scanlon

Chief Driver Jack Scanlon was present.

Mr. Scanlon reviewed his report with the Commission members (copy attached).

Mr. Scanlon discussed the supplies he needs for the maintenance and repair of the vehicles. He said there were two items he needs to get prices for.

Mr. Blume made a motion to allow Chief Driver Scanlon to purchase the items he requested for the lamps as outlined in his report not to exceed \$50.00. Mr. Nihill seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Mr. Scanlon discussed tires for Car 7. He said he has included three quotes in his report. He said that the tires maybe have one more month left. He said they should be replaced for safety reasons.

Mr. Blume discussed the line item for ambulance maintenance and that there are funds available there for the purchase of new tires.

Mr. Scanlon said the tires will last for another month. He said seven tires need to be replaced. Custom Bandag of CT had the best tires for the best price. He said they are on the State Bid list and the cost is \$913.26 for 6 tires.

Mr. Blume made a motion to purchase the tires from Custom Bandag of CT for Car 7 because the tires will become unsafe. The funds to purchase the tires should be taken from the ambulance equipment line item. Mr. Nihill seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Correspondence

1. Christ Episcopal Church, 56 S. Cliff St., Ansonia re: thank you for food collected during community CPR and donated to the food bank. Dated 3/17/10

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2. Jerome Fainer re: Thank you for remembering his Mother's passing.

Chairman Fainer thanked ARMS for all that they did for his Mother and his family.

New Business

None

Unfinished Business

Status of Asst. Chief Driver Mazako and Asst. Chief Walsh.

Mr. Geloso said that Mr. Mazako said he was coming down to the Meeting this evening however he is not here. He said that Mr. Walsh sent him an e-mail stating he was resigning as Asst. Chief.

Chairman Fainer said that Mr. Walsh never requested permission from his supervisor to attend a meeting. His supervisor stated he would grant him time to attend the meetings.

Mr. Blume said Mr. Geloso should get a signed letter from Mr. Walsh. He should also request his equipment.

Mr. Geloso said Mr. Mazako was here at ARMS one time checking on the vehicles and he hasn't seen him since.

Mr. Nihill made a motion to send a letter (certified, return receipt) to Mr. Walsh and Mr. Mazako asking them to return all of their equipment to ARMS. Mr. Blume seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Mr. Geloso asked what happens if they want to remain as volunteer members.

Mr. Blume said that would be OK. They could keep any equipment that is not relative to the position they are resigning from.

Mr. Nihill asked if ARMS has had any new members over the last month.

Mr. Geloso said there are a lot of people coming up soon. Three or four should be ready this month. He said he is requesting Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

Mr. Geloso said that Joanne Sjogren sent a letter to Chief Hale regarding the Boot Drive for the power cot.

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Mr. Scanlon said he is hoping he will get help for the Asst. Chief Driver position. He said he has the Rescue trucks to handle.

Mr. Blume said ARMS is not going to have the rescue equipment. There is going to be a re-structure.

Executive Session

Mr. Blume made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Nihill seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Mr. Nihill made a motion to reconvene the regular session at 6:44 p.m. Mr. Blume seconded. All in favor, so carried.

There were no motions taken during the Executive Session.

Adjourn

Mr. Nihill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Mr. Blume seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Jo-Lynn Flaherty
Secretary