BROOKLYN FIRE & EMS DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES 2/20/19

Meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm by President Mark O'Brien. Members present were Kim Gruebling, John Marx, Jim Lunde and Sue McCallum. Also present were Mason Barber, Brock Padley, Joanne Van Norman and Sarah Andrisevic.

Motion: McCallum/Marx to approve minutes of 1/16/19 minutes as written. Lunde abstained Motion carried.

No Public comments

Chief Barber handed out year-end reports for Jan 2019. There were 8 incidents during the month. He talked about not having enough people on the department. The two new members are taking their entry level firefighter classes. There are a few people interested in joining the department, but have not made the commitment yet.

John Marx handed out reports that break out the calls received in 2018 by location and type.

Motion: Lunde/Gruebling to renew SCBA Equipment CD for 90 days. Motion carried.

No EMS Director's Report. EMS Director not present.

Motion: McCallum/Lunde to postpone action on purchase of new phones/tablet for EMS. Motion carried.

Chief Barber reported they had a meeting with the McFarland Fire Department to talk about their recent decision to combine their Fire and EMS Departments. A committee to discussion combining the departments has not yet been formed for the District.

District Sec/Treasurer provided Dec 2018 and Jan 2019 financial statements and 2018 budget comparisons. Discussion on adding a line item to the EMS budget report to account for paying off the ambulance loan. There was a discussion on a lot of left over money in the budget for EMS salaries. Brock Padley spoke about the difficulties in finding part-time EMTs for such a small department and getting those EMTs to cover all the shifts needed. The board suggested trying to hiring new people.

District Sec/Treasurer reported that she will keep a regular schedule at the station on Monday and Wednesday mornings, as well as some weekend hours as needed.

Motion: McCallum/Marx to approve \$20 per hour for Assistant Sec/Treasurer wages to be paid from left over funds in SAP budget. Motion carried.

District meetings will be held monthly.

Next meeting will be on Wed. 3/20/19.

Motion: Marx/McCallum to adjourn at 7:35pm. Motion carried.