

Cromwell Fire District

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FIRE DISTRICT OFFICE
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FIRE DEPARTMENT
FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS **SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING**

Tuesday, November 30, 2021

6:30 PM

**Coles Road Firehouse
105 Coles Road
Cromwell, CT**

A Special District Meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in meetings of the Cromwell Fire District was held on Tuesday, November 30, 2021, at 6:30 PM, at the Coles Road Firehouse, 105 Coles Road, Cromwell, CT to consider and act upon a resolution "to appropriate \$2,250,000 for costs associated with the Fire Division for a fire rescue/pumper, a fire engine, an ambulance, a district-wide security and access system and a chief's vehicle; and for the Water Division a mini excavator, a job site truck, a pick-up truck and a trailer..." Also, "to authorize the issue of bonds and notes or temporary notes of the District in an amount not to exceed \$2,250,000 ..." and "authorize the Executive Director to apply for and accept state or federal grants to finance the project ..." A copy of the warning of the meeting is attached to these minutes on file in the Fire District Office.

Commissioners Lee Brow (President), Mertie Terry, Charles Epstein, David Colligan, Chip Darius, Robert Donohue and Robert McIntyre were in attendance. Also attending were Executive Director Julius Neto, Fire Chief Jason Balletto and Finance Manager Mike Alibrio.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM, by President Brow. It was noted by Secretary Epstein there was a quorum of 25 electors and citizens of the District in attendance. Commissioner Epstein read the Call of the Meeting. A copy is attached to the minutes on file in the Fire District Office.

A motion was made by Commissioner Colligan, seconded by Commissioner Donohue and unanimously approved to accept the Call of the Meeting as read.

The Executive Director took a few minutes to give the audience an overview of the District's intentions for this project. The meeting objective is to discuss and vote on a motion to authorize the District to borrow \$2,250,000 for the purchase of Fire Apparatuses, an Ambulance, a District-wide Security & Access System and Water Division equipment.

The Fire Department is looking to spend \$1,750,000 on a Rescue Pumper (replacing 25 yr. old pumper), a fire engine (replacing 23 yr. old engine), an ambulance (replacing 12 yr. old) and the purchase of a vehicle for the Fire Chief. The current Chief's vehicle will be replacing a 15 yr. old FMO vehicle.

The Water Division is looking to spend \$250,000 to purchase a mini excavator and a job site truck for water main repairs and emergency-related projects. Also to purchase a pick-up truck with a trailer to replace an 18 yr. old pick-up truck.

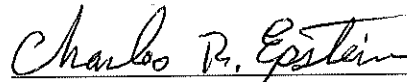
The Fire District is looking to spend \$250,000 for a District-wide security and door access system to replace non-compatible systems that are over 25 yrs. old. The system will be monitored in the Communication Center.

The Executive Director explained the District's debt service and the completion of a couple of debts paid in full in December 2021 and another in December 2022. He also explained the debt service profile that was introduced in the power point presentation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Epstein and approved by a show of hands of 22 electors/citizens voting YES for the resolution to borrow \$2,250,000 to purchase much needed apparatuses and equipment for the Fire Division, Water Division and Fire District. There was no opposition or abstentions.

There being nothing further on the agenda, a motion was made by Commissioner Darius, seconded by Commissioner Epstein and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM.

ATTEST:



Charles R. Epstein, Clerk

Nancy Deegan
Recording Secretary