

BUDGET MEETING

March 17, 2011

(HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY)

IN ATTENDANCE: B. Dieffenbacher, C. Hoyt, A. Green, W. Miga, K. Miga, M. Henry

ABSENT: A. Silvestri, M. Belensky

Bill added a budget line for the incentive program, which is now at \$2800. Discussion regarding whether incentive program should come out of the 2% money; Bill has a booklet from Alice regarding the rules for 2% money and we need to look into this.

Chris said that the board should look at reducing the number of phone lines at Station 1. We found out that there are three phone lines plus a fax line, which we do not need. Mark H. said that we should have one phone line and a fax line at each station and nothing more. Adrian will look into Time Warner Business service, but we do not want to lose what we get for free from the Town (i.e. Road Runner, but not TV).

Adrian said that if we have an account at Sam's Club we should get our cleaning supplies from there and we will probably save money, instead of purchasing them from Grainger.

Discussion about whether we should have separate budgets for building maintenance and apparatus maintenance. Bill decided that it would be easier for him if both were included in the same budget line.

Chris's idea list from the members should be taken into account and reasonable requests should be added to the budget. We went through the list and added several items to the budget.

Discussion about combining the maintenance and apparatus budgets because of the confusion about which budget the bills are paid from. The decision was that these two categories will be combined from now on under one budget category: APPARATUS AND MAINTENANCE.

We decided that:

- Ladder/hose test, extinguisher service/inspection, Genesis Tool service, chainsaw service, and calibration for gas meter will go under Equipment.
- Physicals will go under Insurance.
- Fire police dues will go under Fire Police budget.

- Firehouse software will go under a new computer line under Building budget.

Ask Bob for estimate of cost for Firehouse software if we were to use it for more than one computer and put everything on it.

We need to get estimates about repairing/replacing the roof at Station 2. Right now nobody has any idea of the cost and therefore we do not know how much to allocate for this in the budget.

Adrian will make calls about getting a price for a door to be installed behind the Squad at Station 2 (just the door, not the installation).

Discussion about if we need a key fob system for the cage and the decision was NO. Just the key fob system for Station 1 maintenance room will be in the budget as we felt the expense for both was too great.

Chris will ask for new Workman's Comp certificates for 2011 and will also ask what numbers they are using to determine how much money they take from our budget.

Discussion regarding EMS budget and registration payment for 10 people for UHS teaching day in April. Ray said that he would offer the payment of the training this year to all 10 people, but will mention that next year payment will be contingent on answering calls. Wes will send an e-mail tonight and tell Ray that the board agrees with this approach.