

## Minutes of Regular Meeting January 8, 2014

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**PRESENT:** Commissioners Murray, Nappi, Daly, Weitz and Chairman Woehrle.

**Also Present:** Treasurer Splendido, Secretary Versocki, Chief Lingenfelter & Cpt. J. Vena.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Chairman Woehrle.

**Motion/Murray, 2<sup>nd</sup> Daly:** To approve the minutes of the December 11, 2013 regular monthly meeting as read. Passed 5-0.

**Motion/ Weitz, 2<sup>nd</sup> Daly:** To approve the minutes of the January 2, 2014 Organizational meeting as read. Passed 5-0.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- An announcement from The Association of Fire Districts of the State of NY offering on-line Commissioner, Treasurer & Secretary training opportunities.
- A letter from The Grand Blvd. Fire Company asking the commissioners for their approval of Flavia Sukert of 852 Union St. Schenectady, NY 12308 as a probationary firefighter member.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:** No Report.

**BILLS:** Commissioner Woehrle stated that he has reviewed all the bills.

**Motion/ Murray, 2<sup>nd</sup>/Nappi:** To pay bills for corresponding check #'s 13729 -13777 From December 12, 2013 thru January 8, 2014 totaling \$695,060.68 as reviewed. Passed 5-0.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

#### **Treasurer Splendido Reported:**

- The reserve accounts were reviewed.
- The comparison sheets for December 2012 vs.2013 were reviewed.
- Budget versus actual expenses through December 2013 were reviewed. We are 100% through the year and have spent 98% of the budget.
- Treasurer Splendido was asked if he could compare National Grid energy costs for The Balltown Rd. station.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** No Report.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FINANCE:** No Report.

## **INSURANCE:**

### **Commissioner Daly Reported:**

- I just received 2 updated insurance certificates. I will review the information and I will report on them.

## **MEDIA RELATIONS:**

### **Chief Lingenfelter Reported:**

- Smoke detector installation program will be starting this week. Attorney Hayner has provided a release form to be used along with the NYSAFC documentation needed. NFD 2 will also be participating.

## **APPARATUS & EQUIPMENT:**

### **Chief Lingenfelter Reported:**

- As reported at the organization meeting, U-421 was damaged while plowing along with a volunteer's personal vehicle. Our insurance company has been notified and the unit is at Frank & Sons Auto body for repairs. There will be a \$500 deductible.
- The 2006 Tahoe C-429 was involved in a property damage collision at the intersection of Mayfair and South Country Club Drive. No injuries were sustained by either driver and the other driver was ticketed for failing to stop at the stop sign. A claim has been submitted through the other driver's insurance company and repairs will be completed at Frank & Sons Auto body.

**COMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION SERVICES:** No Report.

## **EMS & EQUIPMENT:**

### **Chief Lingenfelter Reported:**

- We are still investigating the powered stretchers. Most members prefer the Stryker model. Pricing on the Stryker models is \$40,000. Each including the loading mechanism. I recommend the committee meet and draft a proposal for the board's consideration.

**HEALTH & SAFETY:** No Report.

## **FACILITIES:**

### **Chief Lingenfelter Reported:**

- Camera installation should be taking place this month.
- The shop air compressor at Balltown Road station has been replaced.
- ESCO has corrected the vibration in the attic air handler.
- Overhead doors at Balltown Road were serviced.

- I am in the process of updating station maintenance program to ensure River Road is properly monitored, maintained, and supplied.

**ELECTIONS:** No Report.

**PROTECTIVE GEAR & UNIFORMS:** No Report.

**SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM:**

**Commissioner Daly Reported:** The 2013 service awards process is currently underway.

**INSPECTION & INSTALLATION:**

**Commissioner Weitz Reported:**

- The date of the Inspection Dinner will be Saturday January 25, 2014. The menu has been set and invitations have been sent to guests. Chief Lingenfelter has again been gracious to volunteer as the MC for the event since I have a conflict and cannot attend. Other aspects have been handled by Secretary Versocki and I thank the entire committee for their help.

**Commissioner Woehrle Reported:**

- The Inspection will take place beginning at 10 am at The Balltown Rd. station. After which, we will inspect the River Rd. station.

**REPORT OF THE CHIEFS:**

**Chief Lingenfelter Reported:**

- The Schenectady County Civil Service Commission has posted the exam announcement for firefighter/paramedic.
- Workers Compensation paperwork was filed for a wrist injury to one of our career Firefighter/Paramedics. No lost time as of yet.
- 6 volunteer members have been restricted from responding to calls due to failure to meet minimum OSHA training requirements. They are allowed to attend training to bring their OSHA requirements up to date.
- 2014 Duty Assignments have been completed.
- The photocopier and power supplies are both being advertised on Craig's list for sale.
- Request authorization to attend the Career Fire Chief's meeting in Syracuse, NY on January 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> at a cost not to exceed \$200.

• Department Activity	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>	
December Incidents:	146	148	
EMS	99	96	
Fire/Other	47	52	
YTD Incidents	1958	1759	(12/31)
Other Activities:			
Emergency Callback		20	Hours
Fire Company Drill		50	Hours
Fire/EMS/Codes In-Service Training		98	Hours

**Report of the Niskayuna Permanent Fireman's Association:** No Report.

**Report of the Grand Boulevard Fire Company:** No Report.

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Motion/ Daly, Second/ Nappi:** To authorize Chief Lingenfelter to attend the Career Fire Chief's meeting in Syracuse, NY on January 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> at a cost not to exceed \$200. Passed 5-0.

**Motion/ Nappi, Second/ Daly:** To approve Flavia Sukert of 852 Union St. Schenectady, NY 12308 as a probationary firefighter member of The Grand Blvd. Fire Co. pending the results of a physical and arson background check. Passed 5-0.

**Motion/ Daly, Second/ Nappi:** To approve two (2) commissioners and Chief Lingenfelter to attend the Association of Fire Districts of the State of NY mid-winter workshop on Saturday February 15, 2014 at a cost of \$35 each. Passed 5-0.

**Motion/ Nappi, Second/ Daly:** To adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Passed 5-0.

**The next Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday February 12, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

*William J. Versochi*

Fire District No. 1 Secretary