

Minutes of Regular Meeting June 13, 2018

PRESENT: Commissioners Nappi, Daly, Weitz and Chairman Woehrle

Also Present: Chief Fritz, 1st Asst. Chief Luft, Secretary Versocki, Attorney Hayner, Cpt. Vena and FF/P J. Congdon.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Chairman Woehrle.

Commissioner Murray was absent and excused.

Motion/ Weitz, 2nd/ Nappi: To approve the May 9, 2018 monthly meeting minutes as amended.
Passed 4-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- A letter from The National Postal Mail handlers Union local 309 thanking the district for the donation of (2) surplus desk chairs.
- A letter from The Association of Fire Districts of the Capital Area stating that there will be a dues increase beginning in 2019.
- A letter from Health Insurance carrier Blue Shield of Northeastern New York stating that there is a proposed premium increase of 5%.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: No Report.

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

Motion/ Daly, 2nd/ Nappi: To pay bills for corresponding check #'s 16271 – 16317 From May 9, 2018 thru June 13, 2018 totaling \$240,412.47 as reviewed. Passed 4-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Splendido's Report:

- The reserve accounts as of the end of May were reviewed.
- The comparison sheets for May 2018 vs.2017 were reviewed.
- Budget versus actual expenses through May 2018 were reviewed. We are 42% thru the year and have spent 42% of the budget.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: No Report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE: No Report.

INSURANCE: No Report.

MEDIA RELATIONS: No Report.

APPARATUS & EQUIPMENT:

Chief Lingenfelter's Report:

- I am requesting authorization to purchase replacement 5" and 1 3/4" hose not to exceed \$10,812.

COMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION SERVICES: No Report.

EMS & EQUIPMENT:

Chief Lingenfelter's Report:

- The Lifepak 15 cardiac monitors and the Lucas CPR devices have been delivered. Training is being conducted before they are put into service.

Commissioner Nappi Reported:

- The representative for the Lucas Devices and Life Pak 15's was on hand recently to provide training to a majority of our members.

HEALTH & FITNESS: No Report.

FACILITIES:

Commissioner Woehrle Reported:

- LED lighting installation is complete at both stations. We are working with engineers from Lutron to solve installation issues with dimming fixtures.
- Chief Lingenfelter met with representatives from National Grid regarding the fence installation. They will be checking with their right-of-way department and getting back to us with a determination. The proposal has been signed and sent to Sienna Fence.

ELECTIONS: No Report.

PROTECTIVE GEAR & UNIFORMS:

Commissioner Daly Reported: New turnout gear has been received.

SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM: No Report.

INSPECTION & INSTALLATION: No Report.

REPORT OF THE CHIEFS:

Chief Lingenfelter's Report:

- Request from Lt. Sweet for extension of his illness leave as a result of an off duty injury. He has provided an updated note from his doctor.
- Request from FF Seiden for extended illness leave for a medical condition.
- Request from FF Agans for extended illness leave for a medical procedure.
- The Pedal, Paddle, Run and Niska-day went without incident. Niska-day fireworks were cancelled but will be rescheduled at a later date.
- Met with the father of a 3 year old patient that had been treated by our paramedics and transported to Albany Medical Center. He made a point to come to the station and meet with me to convey his deep appreciation for the manner in which care was provided to his daughter. Job well done to FF/Paramedics Wessels, Baker, EMT Dave Bradshaw, and paramedic intern Brendan De Pierre.
- Volunteer FFs Daquan Pontoon and Patrick Singh have successfully completed the firefighter 1 training program.
- Volunteer EMT Riaz Rao and FF Peter Fobare are currently in the Rescue Technician Basic training program.
- 2018 year to date incident participation report is attached. Approximately 19% of the incidents had no volunteer response.
- Recommend renewal of the "I am responding" service for a 5 year subscription at an annual payment of \$650/year versus \$800/year for annual renewal term. Third option would be \$725/year for a 3 year subscription. **Please advise of the board's preference.**
- I am requesting authorization for Capt. Vena, Lt. Griffiths, and myself to attend the NYS Fire Marshals Conference from 9/11/18 – 9/13/18 at a cost of \$2178 for registration, meals, lodging and use of the district vehicle. This training is required to maintain code enforcement certifications.
- I am requesting authorization to attend the Volunteer & Combination Officers Symposium in Clearwater Beach at a cost of \$2068 including registration, lodging, meals, and airfare.

Chief Fritz: No Report.

1st Asst. Chief Luft: The 1 ¾ inch hose request for purchase is a great improvement from what we currently use. The hose is less of a strain on firefighters and less stress on pumps.

• Department Activity	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
May Incidents	186	177
EMS	127	123
Fire/Other	59	54
Total YTD	920	827 (5/31)

Other Activities:

Emergency Callback	15 Staff Hours
Department Training	144 Staff Hours

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

Report of the Grand Boulevard Fire Company: No Report.

OLD BUSINESS: No Report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Weitz: To authorize purchase of 5 inch and 1 ¾ inch hose not exceed \$10,812.00. Passed 4-0.

Motion/ Nappi, Second/ Daly: To authorize renewal of The “I am Responding” service for a 5 year subscription at an annual payment of \$650.00 per year. Passed 4-0.

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Weitz: To authorize Capt. Vena, Lt. Griffiths, and Chief Lingenfelter to attend the NYS Fire Marshals Conference from 9/11/18 – 9/13/18 at a total cost of \$2178 for registration, meals, lodging and use of the district vehicle. Passed 4-0. This training is required to maintain code enforcement certifications.

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Weitz: To authorize Chief Lingenfelter and another Fire District Officer (either-another Chief or Career Captain) to attend the Volunteer & Combination Officers Symposium in Clearwater Beach at a cost of \$2068 each including registration, lodging, meals, and airfare. Passed 4-0.

Motion/ Nappi, Second/ Daly: To approve Rea Mittal of 2484 Antonia Dr. Niskayuna NY 12309 as a probationary EMS member. Passed 4-0.

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Nappi: To move to Executive Session at 7:28 p.m. Passed 4-0.

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Nappi: To return to Regular Session at 7:32 p.m. Passed 4-0

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Weitz: To grant Lt. Sweet medical leave for an off-duty injury until July 11, 2018. Passed 4-0.

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Weitz: To grant FF/P Seiden medical leave for an injury until July 11, 2018. Passed 4-0.

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Weitz: To grant FF/P Agans medical leave from August 9 to November 14, 2018. Passed 4-0.

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Weitz: To adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. Passed 4-0.

The next Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday July 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Fire District No. 1 Secretary,

William J. Versocki