

Minutes of Regular Meeting July 11, 2018

PRESENT: Commissioners Murray, Daly and Chairman Woehrle

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

The Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chairman Woehrle.

Commissioner Weitz was absent and excused.

Commissioner Nappi was absent.

Motion/ Daly, 2nd/ Murray: To approve the June 13, 2018 monthly meeting minutes as amended.
Passed 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- The 2nd Quarter Workers Compensation Newsletter from NYSIF.
- A letter from The Grand Blvd. Fire Company asking the commissioners to accept Wisely DuPiche of 45 Hillcrest Ave. Schenectady, NY 12304 as a probationary FF/EMS member.
- A letter from The Grand Blvd. Fire Company asking the commissioners to remove probationary EMS member Mitchell Burke of 2121 Van Rensselaer Dr. Schenectady, NY 12308 for failure to meet call, drill and meeting requirements as recommended by the chief's.
- A letter from The Grand Blvd. Fire Company asking the commissioners to remove probationary FF member Michael Elliott of 2013 Hoover Rd. Niskayuna, NY 12309 for failure to meet call, drill and meeting requirements as recommended by the chief's.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: No Report.

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

Motion/ Murray, 2nd/ Daly: To pay bills for corresponding check #'s 16318 – 16366 From
June 14, 2018 thru July 11, 2018 totaling \$203,852.26 as reviewed. Passed 3-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Splendido's Report:

- The reserve accounts as of the end of June were reviewed.
- The comparison sheets for June 2018 vs.2017 were reviewed.

- Budget versus actual expenses through May 2018 were reviewed. We are 50% thru the year and have spent 48.9% of the budget.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: No Report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

Commissioner Murray Reported:

- After receiving the annual report from the auditors all I can say is our Treasurer John Splendido has done an excellent job. Each year the reports get better and our records become cleaner.

INSURANCE: No Report.

MEDIA RELATIONS: No Report.

APPARATUS & EQUIPMENT:

Chief Lingenfelter's Report:

- Normal preventive maintenance activities.
- Received notification of a recall of window control switches on two of our ambulances. Awaiting parts availability notification from GM.
- New nozzles have been put in service and replacement hose is on order.

COMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION SERVICES: No Report.

EMS & EQUIPMENT:

Chief Lingenfelter's Report:

- The Lifepak 15 cardiac monitors and the Lucas CPR devices have been put into service.

HEALTH & FITNESS: No Report.

FACILITIES:

Commissioner Woehrle Reported:

- Chief Lingenfelter met with representatives from National Grid regarding the fence installation and they declined having new fence installed on their property.

ELECTIONS: No Report.

PROTECTIVE GEAR & UNIFORMS: No Report.

SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM: No Report.

INSPECTION & INSTALLATION: No Report.

REPORT OF THE CHIEFS:

Chief Lingenfelter’s Report:

- Lt. Sweet has returned to full duty as of July 3, 2018
- FF. Seiden has been cleared to return to duty on July 13, 2018
- Completed a budget analysis of Illness coverage year to date and projected it to year end based on previously approved leave. In summary we have utilized 75% of our illness leave budget hours to date. In order to cover the anticipated leave through the end of the budget year we will run approximately 50% over our illness leave budget. Understanding that staffing our response capability is our first priority, the overage can be absorbed by our training overtime budget without compromising mandated training requirements.
- We have been awarded a \$4500 grant from Senator Tedisco’s office through NYS DCJS. The grant was initiated by Supervisor Syed’s office on behalf of the town’s emergency services. Our plan is to utilize this grant to purchase anti-cancer nomex hoods.
- Request authorization to attend the Career Fire Chiefs of NYS meeting in Henrietta on July 17th and 18th at a cost not to exceed \$200 for meeting, lodging, meals and use of the district vehicle.
- 2018 year to date incident participation report is attached. Approximately 18% of the incidents had no volunteer response.

1st Asst. Chief Luft: No Report.

• Department Activity	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
June Incidents	172	184
EMS	120	126
Fire/Other	52	58
Total YTD	1092	1011 (6/30)
Other Activities:		
Emergency Callback		33 Staff Hours
Department Training		188 Staff Hours

Report of the Niskayuna Permanent Fireman’s Association: PFA Vice-President J. Congdon thanked The Commissioners for the purchase of Life Pak 15’s and Lucas devices. He remarked, “Given the right tools we can do a better job saving lives”. He also thanked The Commissioners and Chief Lingenfelter for the thought that went into helping protect firefighters with the future purchase of anti-cancer nomex hoods.

Report of the Grand Boulevard Fire Company: No Report.

OLD BUSINESS: No Report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion/ Murray, Second/ Daly: To authorize Chief Lingenfelter to attend the Career Fire Chiefs of NYS meeting in Henrietta on July 17th and 18th at a cost not to exceed \$200 for meeting, lodging, meals and use of the district vehicle Passed 3-0.

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Commissioner Woehrle Reported speaking with GBFC President Moskowitz about the 2020 Centennial Committee's request to mount a plaque either inside or outside the fire station.

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Murray: To allow the GBFC Centennial Committee to mount a plaque provided a mutual agreement on size and placement. Passed 3-0.

Motion/ Murray, Second/ Daly: To adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m. Passed 3-0.

The next Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday August 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Fire District No. 1 Secretary,

William J. Versocki