

Minutes of Regular Meeting May 8, 2019

PRESENT: Commissioners Daly, Weitz, Pacheco and Chairman Woehrle

Also Present: Chief Lingenfelter, Chief Fritz, 1st Assistant Chief Luft, Captain J. Vena, Treasurer Splendido and Secretary Versocki.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Woehrle.

Commissioner Murray is excused from tonight's meeting.

Motion/ Weitz, 2nd/ Pacheco: To approve the March 13, 2019 monthly meeting minutes. As amended. Passed 4-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- A thank you card from Commissioner Murray & family for a fruit basket and expressions of sympathy for the passing of his father.
- The April 16, 2019 meeting minutes of The Schenectady County Civil Service Commission unanimously agreeing to revise the job classification for Fire Chief (NCFD #1- Paid Division) Niskayuna Fire District No. 1.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: No Report.

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

Motion/ Pacheco, 2nd/ Weitz: To pay bills for corresponding check #'s 16783 – 16817 From April 11, 2019 thru, May 8, 2019 totaling \$78,241.09 as reviewed. Passed 4-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Splendido Reported:

- The reserve accounts as of the end of April were reviewed.
- The comparison sheets for April 2019 vs.2018 were reviewed.
- Budget versus actual expenses through April 2019 were reviewed. We are 33% thru the year and 34% of the budget has been spent.
- The NYS AUD report has been submitted.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: No Report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE: No Report.

INSURANCE:

Commissioner Pacheco Reported:

- Minor changes were made to the Employee Dishonesty Coverage and Employment Practices policy.
- The Balltown Rd. Station full replacement value building insurance policy has been increased to 7 million dollars (\$7,000,000.00); with an additional cost of \$970.00 annually.

MEDIA RELATIONS: No Report.

APPARATUS & EQUIPMENT:

Chief Lingenfelter Reported:

- Truck 405 aerial and ground ladders were tested. Some repairs are needed for the truck. Working with Garrison to get them complete.
- Tahoe should be done in a week or two.
- Annual service and quarterly air testing was completed on the SCBA air compressor.

COMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION SERVICES: No Report.

EMS & EQUIPMENT: No Report.

HEALTH & FITNESS: No Report.

FACILITIES:

Chief Lingenfelter Reported:

- Bellamy Roofing has completed repairs to the Balltown road station roof leak damage.

ELECTIONS: No Report.

PROTECTIVE GEAR & UNIFORMS:

Commissioner Daly Reported:

- I have attended drills and am happy to see everyone wearing their protective gear.

SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM: No Report.

INSPECTION & INSTALLATION: No Report.

REPORT OF THE CHIEFS:

Chief Lingenfelter Reported:

- Civil Service is in the process of canvassing the current firefighter/paramedic list for interest.
- 12 members have completed the Active Attack Integrated Response Course (AAIR) course in Watervliet. Will be working with NPD to develop desktop response plans.
- Volunteer firefighter Dave Bradshaw completed the Basic Exterior Firefighter training course.
- Volunteer firefighter Peter Fobare completed the Firefighter 1 training program.
- The increased EMS responses for the lack of Mohawk Ambulance availability seems to have been addressed.
- Attended the Intelligence Liaison Officer conference in Lake Placid last week. Some eye opening presentations regarding improvised explosive manufacturing in residential settings as well as terrorism threats and support in our communities.
- NFD 1 responded to a structure fire at 2308 Troy Rd. on April 13th. Assistance was received by NFD 2 and SHFD, Schenectady FD and County Fire Investigators. Fire damage was confined to an attic space with smoke and water damage. No injuries to civilians or firefighters. NFD 1 response consisted of 4 on-duty career staff, 3 off-duty career staff and 1 volunteer.
- Planning underway for the Pedal, Paddle and Run on Saturday 5/19/2019. Assistance being received from Scotia FD, NFD 2 and Alplaus FD for marine units.
- Planning also underway for Niska-day on 5/18/2019.
- 2019 year-to-date incident participation report is attached. Approximately 16% of the incidents had no volunteer response.

Chief Fritz Reported: No Report.

Chief Luft Reported: No Report.

• Department Activity	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
April Incidents	198	170
EMS	127	116
Fire/Other	71	54
Total YTD	779	734 (4/30)

Other Activities:

Emergency Callback	32 Staff Hours
Department Training	237 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: No Report.

Motion/ Weitz, Second/ Daly: To adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m. Passed 4-0.

The next Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday June 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Fire District No. 1 Secretary,

William J. Versocki