

HIGHLAND FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
December 9, 2014
7 PM

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Commissioners: Stephen DiLorenzo, Chairman	(Present)
Benjamin Bragg	(Present)
Christian Erichsen	(Present)
John Fraino	(Present)
Dominick Palladino	(Present)

Secretary/Treasurer Jim Passikoff	(Absent)
Noreen Hennessey –Treasurer Pro Temp	
District Clerk Denise A. Holzberger	(Present)
Chief Peter D. Miller	(Present)

1. Opening of meeting- Chairman DiLorenzo called the meeting to order, led the pledge of allegiance to the flag and called for a moment of silence for fallen firefighters.

2. Approval of Minutes

Chairman DiLorenzo asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2014 regular meeting...

MOTION: Commissioner Bragg moved to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2014 regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Fraino.

VOTE: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried unan. 2014Dec09-

MOTION: Commissioner Palladino moved to approve the minutes of the November 25, 2014 Special Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Fraino.

VOTE: 4Yes 0 No 1 Abstain 0 Absent

Commissioner Erichsen abstained.

Motion carried unan. 2014Dec09-

Apparatus Repairs-

Fuel Gauge-Chief Miller reported that the black box for the fuel gauge is in; we are waiting to see if it solved the problem.

AEDs-we have 8 here and 2 at the Town of Lloyd Police department.

Ladder Testing-complete

3. Bills

Chairman Dilorenzo asked for a motion to approve payment of the bills reviewed by Commissioners Fraino and Bragg and Chief Miller on December 8 and 9, 2014.

MOTION: Commissioner Fraino moved to approve payment of the bills as reviewed on December 8 and December 9, 2014 by himself, Commissioner Bragg and Chief Miller, seconded by Commissioner Bragg.

VOTE: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried unan. 2014Dec09-

4. Correspondence

Poland Spring-flat delivery fee of \$3.95

Perma- member services specialist changes

ROOM REQUESTS

Friday, Feb 6 2015 and Sat Feb 7, 2015-1st Birthday party requested by Everett Erichsen

MOTION: Commissioner Chris Erichsen moved to approve the request for the community room for February 6 and 7, 2017 for a birthday party, requested by Everett Erichsen, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried unan. 2014Dec09-

Friday March 20, 2015 and Saturday March 21, 2015 (Snow date-March 22, 2015 Penny Social Ladies Auxiliary requested by Leslie Benson

MOTION: Commissioner Palladino moved to approve the request for March 20 and March 21 2015, with a snow date of March 22, 2015, for the Ladies Auxiliary Penny Social as requested by Leslie Benson, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen.

VOTE: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried unan. 2014Dec09-

Tuesday, May 12, 2015 thru Friday May 15, 2015-CSEA training/TOL Hwy Dept. requested by Eugene Roosa

MOTION: Commissioner Bragg moved to approve the request for May 12 through May 15, 2015 doe CSEA training for the Town of Lloyd Highway Department as requested by Eugene Roosa, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen.

VOTE: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried unan. 2014Dec09-

March 18, 2015 1 pm-3 Pm Lloyd Health Volunteers meeting requested by Adele Gibbons

MOTION: Commissioner Palladino moved to approve the request for March 18, 2015 for use of the community room for a meeting of the Lloyd Health Volunteers, seconded by Commissioner Bragg.

VOTE: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried unan. 2014Dec09-

Chairman Dilorenzo stated that at this time, he would like to permit Phil DeAngelo of Focused Wealth Management to present to us an update on our Service Award funding. Mr. DeAngelo reviewed the present market conditions and stated that we should be in good shape and be at approximately 80% funding (Service Award assets). He stated that it has been a good year in the market.

The Board thanked Phil for coming the meeting.

5. NEW MEMBER INTERVIEWS/MEMBERSHIP APPROVALS-none

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Buildings and Grounds ST 1-Cmrs. Bragg and DiLorenzo

Verizon Micro-Cell-Commissioner Bragg reported that there would be no penetration to the roof when the micro-cell tower is installed. Verizon will pay the Highland Fire District approximately \$6000 annually.

St.1 No Heat- Chairman DiLorenzo reported that there was no heat on the east side of the building. Airflow was called in and an ignitor was replaced. Bills just came in.

Security System Cameras-Chairman DiLorenzo stated that Kevin Wilhelm of Safeco has prepared a proposal for us. The Lloyd Police Department is willing to contribute to this project as well as Mobile Life Support Service. All Equipment is ordered, and hopefully we can get this project done this year. Commissioner Bragg stated that we should look at a security system for Station 2.

Buildings and Grounds St.2-Cmrs. Erichsen and Fraino

Shed Addition-Commissioner Erichsen stated that the building is scheduled for this week. Commissioner Erichsen will contact a contractor regarding grading and backfill.

7. Apparatus Repair-Cmrs. Erichsen and DiLorenzo

Chief Miller reported that there are still some repairs to be completed; camera needs to be installed.

Generator-Commissioner Erichsen stated that we should add a stabilizer to the fuel for the winter. District Clerk reported that the application for diesel delivery to Station 1 (for generator) has been sent the Heritagenergy.

8. Insurance/Workers compensation-Cmrs. Fraino and Palladino

Commissioner Palladino reported that there was a hang-up regarding a delay of notification of cancellation to PERMA. PERMA is imposing a cancellation fee of approximately \$3400 (short rate). Our agent Linda Flanagan is waiting to hear from the VP of Marketing at PERMA regarding this fee. Chairman DiLorenzo noted that the premium it is paid through December 31, 2014.

9. Physical Fitness Program-Cmrs. Erichsen, DiLorenzo and Chief Miller-report due quarterly (Jan 2015)

10. New Apparatus-

2015 1750 GPM Pumper/Tanker-Chairman DiLorenzo reported that we would like to sign the contracts for the purchase of the new truck on December 30, 2014. Chairman DiLorenzo reported that a response from Brindlee is still pending. We need to contact DMV regarding the title of 31-50; if any exists.

SPECIAL Meeting-December 30, 2014 at 7 PM

11. Service Awards-

Direct Deposit of checks-commenced

November 2014 Activity- posted December 9, 2014

Referendum tonight

Chairman Dilorenzo reported that we currently have 53 members and 35 are eligible for Service Award credit so far.

12. Treasurer's Report- Noreen Hennessey attended the meeting in lieu of Treasurer Passikoff's absence.

13. Inspection Dinner –tentative date September 18, 2015

14. Ulster County Fire District Association-Cmrs. Bragg, DiLorenzo, Erichsen

November 20, 2014 meeting at Ulster Hose-Chief Miller reported that topics discussed were LOSAP, LODD autopsies as they relate to organ donation.

15. Public Comment- none

16. Chief's Report- Chief Miller reported the following:

Light up the Hamlet-HFD will transport Santa

Santa Tour-Fire truck will tour with Santa on December 21, 2014 through town. Town of Lloyd Police will also be participating.

Apparatus Annual Services-almost complete.

31-10-radiator

31-60-tires

New Member Interview- January 13, 2014

OSHA-February 8, 2014 for those who did not attend EBOLA training there will be a Blood borne Pathogens class at 7 PM.

Grant-second submission of grant took place on December 5, 2015. \$255285 for 31 packs (just riding positions.

Ladder Testing and Pump Testing- good shape with a few small items.

New Command Car-arrive around 3/16/15.

17. Old Business

Cell Phone Policy- pending

VPN-Northeast Computers pending-District Clerk to contact Mr. Jeffries

18. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: There being no further business, Commissioner Palladino moved to adjourn at 8:20 PM, seconded by Commissioner Bragg.

VOTE: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried unan. 2014Dec09-

APPROVED BOFC 1/6/15

Respectfully submitted,
Denise A. Holzberger, District Clerk

APPROVED