HIGHLAND FIRE DISTRICT

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

SPECIAL MEETING APRIL27, 2015

7:00 PM St 1

Commissioners: Stephen DiLorenzo (Present)

Benjamin Bragg (Absent) Christian Erichsen (Present) John Fraino (Present) Lindy Palladino (Absent)

Secretary/Treasurer: James Passikoff (Present)
District Clerk: Denise A. Holzberger (Present)
Chief Peter Miller (Present)

- **1. Opening of meeting-** Chairman DiLorenzo called the meeting to order, led the salute to the flag and called for a moment of silence for our fellow fallen firefighters. Chairman DiLorenzo stated that the purpose of this meeting is to review and discuss proposals for the completion of the storage building at Station 2 and any other business that may come before the Board.
- **2. Flowers** Commissioner Fraino will be getting the flowers for the Ladies Auxiliary to plant in time for Memorial Day.
- **3. Verizon Micro-Cell-** Chairman Dilorenzo stated that we have received the contract back, revised; in order for drawings to be done we have to sign the contract and then we can proceed with the project. All Commissioners agree we should go forward. **MOTION:** Commissioner Palladino moved to go ahead and authorize Chairman DiLorenzo to sign the contract with Verizon for the Micro-cell tower, seconded by Commissioner Erichsen.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion was carried.

- **4. Security Upgrade-** We are almost complete; a component is needed for the computer in the District office.
- **5. Radio** Chief Miller reported that we have a repeater on the mountain. Testing is needed. This could be a long term solution for us; if we get this up and running we won't need the LTR.

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6. Station 2 Shed/Storage Building- Chairman Dilorenzo reported that we have received 3 proposals as follows:

Streeter Carpentry Labor & material \$16989.00

Paul Turner Construction entire Project \$18,500.00

Timberline Custom Homes, Inc. Total project \$15987.00

Chairman DiLorenzo read each proposal and there was discussion.

MOTION: Commissioner Erichsen moved to accept the proposal from Timberline Custom Homes, Inc. in the amount of \$15987.00 for work at Station 2, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried.

- **7. Tax Freeze-**Treasurer Passikoff explained that there are two components to this: one is the override resolution and the other is the online form if you are not within the 2 %. There is also now documentation required for demonstrating efforts for a 1% cost saving . This must all be submitted to the NYS Comptroller's office by June 1, 2015 for 2016. There was discussion regarding our cost saving efforts. Examples were providing the bay for Mobile Life, and sharing and providing a community room.
- **8. Room Request-** District Clerk Holzberger stated that we have received the following request for use of the community room:

Saturday June 6, 2015 10 Am to 1 Pm for AED/CPR Training requested by Kate Jonietz/Highland Rotary

MOTION: Commissioner Erichsen moved to approve the use of the community room on June 6, 2015 as described above, seconded by Commissioner Fraino.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried.

9. Bills-

MOTION: Commissioner Palladino moved to approve payment of the following bills:

Verizon Wireless \$23.93

Verizon \$137.54

Seconded by Commissioner Fraino.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried.

10. Executive Session- Chairman Dilorenzo requested an executive session for the purpose of discussing a personnel issue specific to a commissioner.

MOTION: At 7:45 PM, Commissioner Palladino moved to go to executive session for the purpose of discussing a personnel issue specific to a commissioner, seconded by Commissioner Erichsen.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried.

Treasurer Passikoff and District Clerk were excused from the room

10. Return to Regular Session and Adjournment-

MOTION: Commissioner Fraino moved to return to the regular session of the meeting at 8:05 PM and there being no further business, moved to adjourn at 8:05 PM, seconded by Commissioner Palladino.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried.

Approved BOFC mtg 6/9/15

Respectfully Submitted, Denise A. Holzberger, District Clerk