HIGHLAND FIRE DISTRICTBOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 08, 2015

7:00 PM St 1

Commissioners: Stephen DiLorenzo (Present)

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

Secretary/Treasurer: James Passikoff (Absent)
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 all fallen firefighters. Chairman DiLorenzo welcomed everyone.
- **2. Approval of minutes-** Chairman DiLorenzo asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2015 regular meeting. It was noted that the ISO rating should be illustrated as 3/3Y.

MOTION: Commissioner Fraino moved to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2015 meeting as amended to indicate the ISO rating as 3/3Y, seconded by Commissioner Palladino.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent Motion carried.

3. Bills- Chairman DiLorenzo asked for a motion to pay the bills as reviewed by Commissioners Palladino and Fraino and Chief Miller on December 7, 2015.

MOTION: Commissioner moved to authorize payment of the bills totaling \$38,667.77 and additional bills as follows: \$3328.20 from AAA Emergency supply for hose, \$381.52 from Zoll for an AED, and six \$50 checks payable to the Election Inspectors for the Annual 2015 Fire District Election held December 8, 2015, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

4. Correspondence-

Requests for Use of the Community Room

December 10, 2015 Highland High School JV Football dinner 5 pm to 9 pm requested by Kevin Rizzo

MOTION: Commissioner Ben Bragg moved to approve the request for use of the community room for the Highland High School JV Football team dinner on December 10, 2015, as requested by Kevin Rizzo, seconded by Commissioner Palladino.

VOTE:: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

Saturday, December 12, 2015 Funeral Reception for brother. Highland Hose company member Roger LaForge is requesting use of the meeting room as community room is in use.

MOTION: Commissioner Fraino moved to approve the request for use of the meeting room for a funeral reception , as requested by Roger LaForge, seconded by Commissioner Ben Bragg.

VOTE:: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

Wednesday December 16, 2015 Town of Lloyd Police Training requested by Chief Dan Waage of the Town of Lloyd Police Department. 7 pm to 10 pm.

MOTION: Commissioner Bragg moved to approve the request for use of the community room as requested by chief Waage for Town of Lloyd Police training, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

Monday December 28, 2015 Town of Lloyd Police Department Youth Athletic League Movie night as requested by Sgt. Roloson.

MOTION: Commissioner Bragg moved to approve the request for use of the community room as requested by Sgt. Roloson for Town of Lloyd Police Youth Athletic League movie night, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE:: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

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Friday January 1, 2016 swearing- in ceremony for Town Officials and Fire Commissioner 10 am to 12 noon

Requested by Paul Hansut, Supervisor.

MOTION: Commissioner Fraino moved to approve the request for use of the community room as requested by Supervisor Paul Hansut for the swearing –in ceremony on January 1, 2016, seconded by Commissioner Ben Bragg.

VOTE:: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

5. New Membership-none

6. Committee Reports

Buildings and Grounds St 1-Commissioners Bragg and DiLorenzo <u>Verizon Micro-Cell</u>- pending contractor as reported last month. A separate account will be opened just for the deposit of these funds. Commissioner Bragg would like to speak with the contractor when Verizon selects one.

Generator Repairs- transfer switch replaced.

<u>Airflow Preventive Maintenance Contract</u>-reviewed. It was noted that Station 2's cost is \$150. Town of Lloyd Police has increase by \$66. This is a two year contract which includes 2 visits per year. Cost is \$3830; it is a two year contract with 4 payments of \$977.50 payable every 6 months. It includes the Ambulance bay and station, Town of Lloyd Police Station \$1044, Station 1 and station 2. Commissioner Bragg recommends going forward with it.

<u>Stucco Repair ST 1</u>- Chairman Dilorenzo reported that he met with Mauri Associates regarding the repair of the stucco at St 1. We could possibly go out for bid in the Spring 2016.

Proposal for plans and prints is \$6600. As per legal counsel, we do not have to go out to bid for architect.

Snow Plow Contract- received certificate of insurance from Garone's.

Exhaust System- Commissioner Bragg discussed the seminar, Cancer in The Fire Service, which he recently attended. Commissioner Bragg stated that 84000 chemicals exist in homes today that were not there 30-40 years age. It is recommended that SCBA be worn all the time (at scenes), gear should not be stored in personal vehicles or brought home. Apparatus interiors should be wiped down and soiled gear should not lie around. Fumes from diesel exhaust are dangerous; we should look at vehicle exhaust systems for the interior of bays; gear should be cleaned right of way.

Chairman DiLorenzo said we should get representatives from different vendors to give us a demo of a vehicle exhaust system.

<u>Town of Lloyd Police Station</u>- Commissioner Bragg reported new phones lines were installed for the Police Station.

<u>Alarm System</u>-Chairman DiLorenzo reported that there was a problem with the alarm system; SAFECO gave us instruction to turn off the alarm if it is sounding due to a malfunction.

<u>Painting Training Center</u>-Dave Krzeminski is painting the training facility.

Station2 Shed-ready for storage.

<u>Old Hose</u>- old hose that has been in storage will be turned over to the Chief's Association. Deck guns will be kept.

7. New Apparatus-

<u>2015 1750 Pumper</u>- at Nichols now. Inspection trip was 2 very long days. There was a long list reviewed; truck was shipped and arrived at Nichols. We plan to swap out 1987 in mid-January 2016.

Hydrants-flow tested.

8. Insurance/Workers Compensation

Renewal Application for Workers comp. sent to Fire Districts Mutual

9. Ulster County Fire District Association-Commissioners Bragg, DiLorenzo, and Erichsen

January 19, 2016 at Glasco Seminar Saturday April 2, 2015 at Mohonk Cancer in the Fire Service September 15, 2016 Highland

- **10. Service Awards-** November 2015 activity posted on December 1, 2015.
- **11. Treasurer's Report**-Treasurer Passikoff was absent and Noreen Hennessey presented the November 2015 Treasurer's report. It was noted that the Sale of Surplus Equipment appears on page 2.

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Resolution to Accept the Treasurer's Report

MOTION: Commissioner Bragg moved to accept the November 2015 financial report as submitted, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE:: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

12. Inspection Dinner-September 9, 2016

13. Public Comment- Chairman Dilorenzo asked if there was any public comment. Mr. Robert Pardy commented are Commissioners attendance, new truck purchase bid process, and SCBA purchase without a bond.

14. Chief's Report-

Chief Miller reported on the following:

<u>Railway Emergencies and Waterways</u>-Governor has made directives to the DEC regarding these types of emergencies. There is a lot of exposure in our town; met with the DEC; it will take time to get in full motion but is progressing.

<u>Equipment for 31-35</u>- purchasing in process.

Recovery of Loss-damaged equipment from 10/2/15. Received check in the amount of \$9928.45. Total Claim was \$22000. Gear was contaminated; we cleaned it and sent it to Minerva, who also cleaned it and it has been deemed safe to go back in service. Chief Miller stated he will review it.

SCBA Bid-Bids will be received by December 17, 2015 and opened. There will a special meeting Thursday December 17, 2015.

New Membership-Bellacicco withdrew his application.

Truck Fire- after action done; thanked Lloyd Police for their reports

<u>House Fire</u>-it was a balloon structure; cause: smoking on rear deck.

31-45 Ladder- to be greased

Driver Training-progressing

FF Survival Training-Kripplebush will be using our training area 12/19/2015

<u>Ladder testing</u>- will take place sometime in January 2016

Radios-to meet with Sheriff's Department and County

Pagers-will be obsolete 5/1/16.

- \$15750 River Valley \$16335 NYCOMCO \$20475 Goosetown

Prices are for 45 High Band. We will go with River Valley.

ISO-3/3Y rating.

Members are being encouraged to take State Training for officers.

<u>Room Request for Training</u>- Chief Miller recommends reserving the room prior to 6 months for State Instructors.

<u>Executive Session Request</u>- Chief Miller requests executive session to discuss a personnel issue and policy.

Commissioner Bragg stated we should try to get with the planning board and zoning board.

15. New Business-

Airflow Preventative Maintenance Contract approval

MOTION: Commissioner John Fraino moved to approve the 2 year Airflow Preventative Maintenance Contract, seconded by Commissioner Palladino. VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

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Motion was carried unan.

Façade Renovation Approval

MOTION: Commissioner Bragg moved to go forward with the façade renovation and use architectural group Mauri and Associates, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE:: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

<u>Authorization to Purchase 45 pagers</u>

MOTION: Commissioner John Fraino moved to authorize the purchase of 45 Motorola pagers with programming and chargers at a total cost of \$15750 from River Valley Radio, seconded by Commissioner Palladino.

VOTE: : 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent Motion was carried unan.

It was noted that the delivery time is unknown at this time.

<u>Organizational Meeting</u>-Monday January 4, 2016 at 7 PM. Regular meeting will follow.

16. Executive Session

MOTION: At 8:25 PM, Commissioner Bragg moved to go to executive session as requested by Chief Miller to discuss personnel and policy, with no action afterwards, seconded by Commissioner Palladino.

VOTE: : 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent Motion was carried unan.

17. Return to Regular session and Adjournment-

MOTION: At 9:05 PM, Commissioner Bragg moved to return to the regular session of the meeting and there being no further business moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE:: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent Motion was carried unan.

Respectfully submitted, Denise A. Holzberger, District Clerk