

HIGHLAND FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING

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May 12, 2015

7:00 PM St 1

Commissioners:	Stephen DiLorenzo	(Present)
	Benjamin Bragg	(Present)
	Christian Erichsen	(Absent)
	John Fraino	(Absent)
	Lindy Palladino	(Present)

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

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 City of Poughkeepsie Firefighter Timothy Gunther who died in the line of duty May 5, 2015.

2. Approval of minutes- Chairman DiLorenzo asked for motions to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2015 regular meeting and April 27, 2015 Special meeting. The Board tabled the approval of the minutes pending the arrival Commissioner Fraino.

3. Bills- Chairman DiLorenzo asked for a motion to pay the bills as reviewed by Commissioners Palladino and Bragg and Chief Miller on May 11, 2015.

MOTION: Commissioner Bragg moved to approve the bills totaling \$19726.60 as reviewed on May 11, 2015 by himself, Commissioner Palladino and Chief Miller, seconded by Commissioner Palladino.

VOTE: 3 AYE 0 NO 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion was carried.

4. Correspondence-District Clerk Holzberger reported the following correspondence received:

Letter from Greenleaf Energy Solutions- regarding LED lighting upgrade program with Central Hudson

Letter from American Legion Post 193-regarding Memorial Day Parade

Requests for Use of the Community Room

Tuesday May 26, 2015 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM Highland Music Boosters Meeting requested by Joe Arampato/ Jim Balint. This is an awards ceremony; no cooking is involved.

MOTION: Commissioner Palladino moved to approve the request for use of the community room for the Highland Music Boosters Meeting on May 26, 2015 as requested by Joe Arampato and Jim Balint, seconded by Commissioner Bragg.

VOTE: 3 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 2 ABSENT

Motion carried unan.

Monday June 29, 2015 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM Sexual Harassment Prevention Seminar requested by Sgt. Roloson Town of Lloyd Police and Town of Lloyd.

MOTION: Commissioner Bragg moved to approve the request for use of the community room by Sgt. Roloson of the Town of Lloyd Police for Sexual Harassment Training on June 29, 2015, seconded by Commissioner Palladino.

VOTE: 3 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 2 ABSENT

Motion carried unan.

Tuesday October 27, 2015 1 PM to 6 PM American Red Cross Blood Drive as requested by Steve Leary.

MOTION: Commissioner Bragg moved to approve the request for use of the community room by the American Red Cross for a Blood Drive on October 27, 2015, seconded by Commissioner Palladino.

VOTE: 3 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 2 ABSENT

Motion carried unan.

Saturday November 14, 2015 6 PM to 8 PM Ulster County Fire Police Association requested by Martin Newman.

MOTION: Commissioner Palladino moved to approve the request for use of the community room for the Ulster County Fire Police Association seminar on November 14, 2015, seconded by Commissioner Bragg.

VOTE: 3 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 2 ABSENT

Motion carried unan.

Wednesday November 18, 2015 1 PM to 3 PM Lloyd Health Volunteers meeting requested by Adele Gibbons

MOTION: Commissioner Bragg moved to approve the request or use of the community room for a meeting of the Lloyd Health Volunteers as requested by Adele Gibbons, seconded by Commissioner Palladino.

VOTE: 3 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 2 ABSENT

Motion carried unan.

5. New Members-none

6. Committee Reports- Buildings & Grounds

Station 1- Chairman DiLorenzo reported the following:

Landscaping-Frank Banks our new landscaper has mulched Station 1; Station 2 is to be done next.

Security System- closer to completion; SAFECO to do necessary connections in District Office. There is a camera in the radio room.

Stucco- touch up is needed at Station #1; also needed at Station 2. To obtain prices.

Verizon Micro-Cell- contract in review. Our legal counsel has some concerns and we are working on that.

Generator Maintenance- Chief Miller to arrange with an available commissioner.

Station 2- Chairman DiLorenzo reported the following :

Shed- to finish roughing in; roof to match. Interior lighting to be done. Should have siding proposals for next meeting. Black top work is needed.

7. Apparatus Repair-

31-30- Spring replaced

8. Insurance/Workers Compensation-

Monday May 18, 2015-Scott Harkins, VFIS Risk Control will meet with Commissioner Palladino and Commissioner Bragg to review the building.

9. Physical Fitness-Chairman DiLorenzo noted the new treadmill and elliptical were received.

10. New Apparatus-nothing to report

11. Ulster County Fire District Association- next meeting Milton Fire District
May 21, 2015 7:30 PM

12. Service Awards- April 2015 activity reports posted May 11, 2015

We can send the check for the annual LOSAP Contribution and additional contribution. Chairman DiLorenzo reported that we would like to have the ability to give credit to mentors and in order to do this we must have this in the by-laws of the Highland Hose Company.

13. Treasurer Report- April 2015 Financial Report was distributed to the Board. Treasurer Passikoff discussed the financial report as follows:
Page 2-liability side of balance sheet shows transfer of fund balance.
P & L side- so far in good shape
Report will reflect Chiefs Car under permissive referendum.
Page 7 -Insurances-\$5000 under
Page 8 Workers compensation -\$6000 under
\$140,000 to Service Award fund as budgeted plus the additional contribution of \$41,874.73 is ready to be sent.

2014 Audit- field work to take place May 15, 2015.

14. Public Comment-none

15. Chief's Report-Assistant Chief Gaffney reported the following:

May 19, 2015 -Live Fire Training at Dutchess County Training Center
Need approval to take an engine, tanker and rescue or ladder.

Fire EXPO Harrisburg- we will not be attending

May 23, 2015-Memorial Day Truck Clean Up

May 25, 2015-Memorial Day parade

LODD Funeral- 14 Highland Fire District firefighters attended the funeral for City of Poughkeepsie Firefighter Timothy Gunther

Radio-installed ant testing; so far so good

Chairman DiLorenzo stated that he had some questions for the Chief regarding our grant status and a delinquent member.

ISO- we had a three hour meeting and received good information; we requested info regarding how to lower our rating. We still have work to do on that. Water department needs to color code hydrants. Key points that contribute to rating include Response time, training, number of firefighters at calls and, large diameter hose (at least 1000 feet). Our hose is 1500 to 2000 feet.

It was noted that the criteria for a ladder truck is 5 buildings with three or more stories; which we have in Highland.

16. Old Business-

Cell Phone Policy-pending.

17. New Business-

Records Management-to be done in the summer

Turning Stone-NYS AFC conference June 19, 2015

Surplus of 31-80-We are going to advertise for sealed bids for sale the 2005 Tahoe. If a fire district would like to purchase the lights will go with it and if a private individual wishes to purchase, lights will be removed. Bids will be opened on June 9, 2015 with an inspection date of June 2, 2015 or an appointment may be set up by calling the District office.

Resolution to Surplus 2005 Tahoe (31-80)

MOTION: Commissioner Palladino moved to surplus the 2005 Tahoe, known as 31-80, and advertise for sealed bids to be opened at our next regular meeting to be held on June 9, 2015, and this will be sold as is without any written or implied warranties, seconded by Commissioner Bragg.

VOTE: 3 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 2 ABSENT

Motion carried unan.

Approval of 31-80 to Ulster County Association of Fire Districts meeting

MOTION: Commissioner Palladino moved to approve 31-80 to Bloomington for the Ulster County Association of Fire Districts meeting on May 19, 2015, seconded by Commissioner Bragg.

VOTE: 3 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 2 ABSENT

Motion carried unan.

Landscaping-Chairman DiLorenzo noted that if Frank Banks has questions regarding the grounds at Station 1 he may contact himself or Commissioner Bragg. For Station 2 he may contact Commissioner Fraino or Erichsen.

18. Adjournment-

MOTION: There being no further business, Commissioner Palladino moved to adjourn at 7:55 PM, seconded by Commissioner Bragg.

VOTE: 3 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 2 ABSENT

Motion carried unan.

Approved BOFC mtg 6/9/2015

Respectfully submitted,
Denise A. Holzberger, District Clerk