

Highland Fire District  
Regular Meeting  
**August 21 2018**  
7:00 PM St 1

Commissioners:	Stephen DiLorenzo	(PRESENT)
	Benjamin Bragg	(ABSENT)
	Christian Erichsen	(ABSENT)
	John Fraino	(PRESENT)
	Alan Barone	(PRESENT)
Secretary/Treasurer	James Passikoff	(PRESENT)
District Clerk	Denise A. Holzberger	(PRESENT)
Chief	Peter Miller	(PRESENT)

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 and stated that the purpose of this meeting is to discuss the 2019 Proposed Budget.

**2019 Proposed Budget-**

Treasurer Passikoff stated the proposed budget is an estimate and subject to change pending this review by the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Assessed Valuation is \$ 1,005,810,861 which is an increase of over \$ 8 million.

Salaries were calculated with a 2% increase

Workers Comp- last year was higher

Buildings & Grounds- Electric is down \$1000

Window cleaning - \$1200

St 2 major Repairs- up \$7650 Black Top Repair needed

Note major repairs would be for such items as a boiler replacement.

Community room- plus \$1500 in the landscaping line item

Hydrant Rental-cost is the same

Apparatus Repairs- services for vehicles are coming up

Gasoline & Diesel- rose to \$14000; diesel prices are creeping up

Air Supply Budget- no change

New item- Cancer insurance is estimated at \$190 per person; approximately 26 interior firefighters  
Total cost \$5000.

Professional fees- same

Total increase from 2018 to Proposed 2019 is \$13925, which is a 1.19% increase  
The rate per thousand is \$1.167

However the effect to the taxpayer will be zero due to the increase in the assessed valuation.

The 2019 Proposed Budget will be presented at the September 11, 2018 Board meeting for approval.

It was noted that the September 11, 2018 meeting will begin at **7:30 pm** due to the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony taking place prior to the meeting.

**Adjournment-**

**MOTION:** There being no further business, Commissioner Alan Barone moved to adjourn at 8:42 pm

Seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

Vote: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion carried unan.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Holzberger, District Clerk