

Regular Meeting

January 2, 2019

7:20 PM St 1

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

At 7:20 PM, Chairman DiLorenzo called the regular meeting for January 2019 to order.

1. Approval of Minutes

Chairman DiLorenzo asked for a motion to approve the minutes of 10/23/18.

MOTION: Commissioner John Fraino moved to approve the minutes of the 10/23/18 meeting as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Alan Barone.

VOTE: 3 Yes 0 No 2 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried. Commissioners Chris Erichsen and Ben Bragg abstained.

MOTION: Commissioner Bragg moved to approve the minutes of the 12/11/18 meeting as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 1 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried. Commissioner Alan Barone abstained.

It was noted that Red Truck did not respond after reviewing 31-45.

2. Authorization to pay bills

Chairman DiLorenzo asked for a motion to pay the bills as reviewed on Friday December 28, 2018 by Commissioners Ben Bragg and Alan Barone.

MOTION: Commissioner Ben Bragg moved to authorize payment of the bills in the amount of \$27614.54, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen.

VOTE: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried unan.

3. Requests for Use of the Community Room

Sunday January 6, 2019 1 PM to 5 PM for a Baby Shower requested by Jim Balint

MOTION: Commissioner Ben Bragg moved to approve the use of the community room for a Baby Shower on Sunday January 6, 2019 as requested by Hose Company member Jim Balint, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen.

VOTE: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried unan.

4. New Membership-none

5. Buildings and Grounds St 1- Commissioners DiLorenzo

St.1 – carpet complete.

Fans- to be completed next week.

Wi-Fi- pending additional information

Buildings & Grounds St. 2- Commissioners Erichsen

Blacktop-Commissioner Erichsen noted that the blacktop has taken a beating with all the rain.

Tree- has been removed

BBQ Pad- pending

Commissioner Erichsen stated that when we surplus the car , the hose washer should be surplus as well. Fittings should be inventoried for surplus, perhaps to another company in the Ulster County.

Tanks- 20 years old but in good shape

Bathroom Update- bathrooms are not handicap accessible. To review possible solutions with architect.

6. Insurance/Workers Compensation-

Workers Comp renewal due

Cancer Policy

Accident & Sickness Policy to be updated due to changes in the Insurance regulations.

7. Physical Fitness- pending 4th Quarter 2018 activity from Mike Artega's

1st Qtr 2018 total reimbursed \$83.06

2nd Qtr 2018 total reimbursed \$92.62

3rd Qtr 2018 total reimbursed \$69.93

Preventive Maintenance for fitness equipment performed on 8/15/17

8. Service Awards- December 2018 Activity posting pending- (posted Jan 18, 2019)

9. Treasurer's Report- Treasurer Passikoff presented the December 2018 Preliminary Financial Report. He referenced Page 2 Of 9 noting that there is \$170566.73 in the General Fund. Also that there may still be 2018 bills that remain to be paid.

Treasurer Passikoff stated that there is an account at Key Bank that had been established in the event a wire needed to be done in an emergency. At this time, however, the funds should be moved to M & T as we are not earning interest at Key Bank.

MOTION: Commissioner Chris Erichsen moved to authorize the Treasurer to move the \$50,000 From Key Bank to M & T Bank and to accept the Preliminary December 31, 2018 Financial Report , seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried unan.

10. Public Comment- none

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

Jan. 3, 2019 Forcible Entry

Jan 14, 2019 Duty night

Jan 15, 2019 UCVFA meeting at Napanoch

Jan 24, 2019 SCBA Drill

Jan 28, 2019 Duty night

March 3, 2019-mandatory OSHA

Highbridge- Chief Miller stated he spoke with the Highway Department regarding Highbridge; A Certificate of Occupancy has been granted,. Chief Miller has requested a letter regarding the bridge capacity and if it's capable of holding a fire truck. The building department is working on it.

Town of Lloyd- Jan 16, 2019 hearing regarding fossil fuel plants.

12. Old Business-

Wi-Fi-Chief Miller reported that we have spoken with 2 vendors as follows:

ITC- no response back

MCS- proposal received

Chief Miller discussed the server issue and the proposal's contents. It includes an 8 port gigabyte

Switch and 5 access points . On-boarding fee is \$1500, \$490 for installation and set-up.

Remote management \$594. Cloud managed gigabyte router is \$475. Server is \$3633.

Monthly remote server back-up \$378.

13. New Business-

Resolution to authorize upgrading of IT Equipment

MOTION: Commissioner Alan Barone moved to proceed with MCS Tech's proposal for upgrading our hardware and monitoring of our computer network at an annual cost of \$4536 for the monthly monitoring and back up, \$1500.00 for email management and a cost of an amount not to exceed \$12,000 for the necessary hardware , seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried unan.

Resolution to Purchase 2019 2000 GPM Custom Chassis Quint/Ladder Platform Fire Apparatus

At a regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners held at Highland Fire District headquarters,

Located at 25 Milton Avenue, Highland, New York at 7 PM on January 2, 2019 there were present:

Commissioners Stephen DiLorenzo
Benjamin A. Bragg
John Fraino
Christian Erichsen
Alan Barone

The following resolution was made by Commissioner John Fraino and seconded by Commissioner Benjamin Bragg.

Please take notice that pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Highland Fire District, Highland, Ulster County, New York, for the purchase of one new 2019 2000 GPM Custom Chassis Quint/Ladder Platform Fire Apparatus for the purpose of firefighting and to include additional fire rescue equipment as set forth in the specifications, at a cost not to exceed \$1,300,000.00 and such purchase is subject to the passage of a permissive referendum.

When the Board was polled the vote was as follows:

Commissioner	Stephen DiLorenzo	AYE
Commissioner	Benjamin A. Bragg	AYE
Commissioner	John Fraino	AYE
Commissioner	Christian Erichsen	AYE
Commissioner	Alan Barone	AYE

The resolution was declared duly adopted.

Resolution subject to Permissive Referendum-

2019 2000 GPM Custom Chassis Quint/Ladder Platform Fire apparatus

At a meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, held at Fire District Headquarters, 25 Milton Avenue, Highland, New York at 7 PM on January 2, 2019, there were present:

Commissioner Stephen DiLorenzo
Benjamin A. Bragg
John Fraino
Christian Erichsen
Alan Barone

The following resolution was made by Commissioner Benjamin Bragg and

Seconded by Commissioner Alan L. Barone as follows:

WHEREAS, the Apparatus Reserve Fund contains sufficient funds to transfer a portion of the funds in the Amount of no more than \$1,300,000.00 to the General Fund, in order to purchase a new **2019 2000 GPM Custom Chassis Quint/Ladder Platform Fire Apparatus** and to include additional fire rescue equipment.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The sum of no more than \$1,300,000.00 from the Apparatus Reserve Fund shall be transferred Pursuant to SECTION 6-d of the General Municipal Law, specifically Section 6-d (3) (c), for the purchase of apparatus and equipment, of a new **2019 2000 GPM Custom Chassis Quint/Ladder Platform Fire Apparatus** and to include additional fire rescue equipment.
2. The Treasurer is authorized to pay the cost of the purchase of the said aforementioned vehicle from the Apparatus Reserve Fund, pursuant to Local Finance Law Section 6-g (1) (b) (4). The Fire District Treasurer shall be authorized to pay the Bidder for the said equipment such amounts as are required under the contract, to a maximum of \$1,300,000.00.
3. This Resolution is subject to permissive referendum and, within ten (10) days after the adoption of this resolution by the Board of Fire Commissioners, the Fire District Secretary shall publish a notice which shall set forth the date of the adoption of the resolution and contain an abstract of such resolution concisely stating the purposes and effect thereof, and that this said resolution was adopted subject to permissive referendum;

4. Such resolution shall not take effect until thirty (30) days after its adoption, nor until approved by the affirmative vote of a majority vote of the electors of the fire district qualified to vote at an annual election of fire district officers, voting on such proposition , if within thirty (30) days after the adoption of this resolution there be filed with the District Secretary a petition, signed and acknowledged or proved in the same manner as a deed to be recorded, by resident taxpayers of this district owning taxable property aggregating at least one quarter of the assessed valuation of all taxable real property of the fire district, in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 6-g (4).

When the Board was polled the vote was as follows:

Commissioners	Stephen DiLorenzo	AYE
	Benjamin A. Bragg	AYE
	John Fraino	AYE
	Christian Erichsen	AYE
	Alan Barone	AYE

The motion was declared duly adopted.

Chief Miller noted that our ISO rating has gone from a 5 to a 3 rating which saves residents on their Insurance costs.

Commissioner Erichsen thanked the Board for their assistance during his father-in-law's funeral reception.

14. Adjournment-

MOTION: At 9:30 PM, there being no further business, Commissioner Alan Barone moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Ben Bragg.

VOTE: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried unan.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise A. Holzberger, District Clerk