

PLEASANT VALLEY BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MONTHLY MEETING OCTOBER 11TH, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pleasant Valley Fire District was held on Tuesday, October 11th, 2011 at Pleasant Valley Fire District Headquarters, 1619 Main Street. The meeting was called to order at 1930 hours by C/Albrecht with a salute to the flag.

Commissioners present: Commissioner Albrecht
 Commissioner Johnson
 Commissioner Harmuth
 Commissioner McRitchie
 Commissioner Lamoree- Absent

District Secretary Jennifer Broas
 District Treasurer Jayne Murphy

Minutes from the Previous Meeting – Motion by C/Albrecht seconded by C/McRitchie to approve the minutes from September 2011, this was passed by all; with the following change page 2 should read “the membership”.

Meeting open to the Public.

Closed Meeting to the Public.

Communications

- Penflex letter regarding the payment for Wayne Freer
- DVD Copy of the Meet the Leaders from East Fishkill Fire Department
- Monthly meeting notice for Association of Fire Districts
- 2011/2012 Service Award Program Agreement
- Letter from Dutchess County Board of Elections regarding the use of the Firehouse on Election Day.
- Letter from DC/Broas regarding District Apparatus leaving district

Membership –

- Ramon Domingues - Station 1 – West Rd, PV NY 12569

Bills – Attached is a list of the monthly bills for October 2011 that totaled \$205167.60 for the general fund. Motion by C/Johnson seconded by C/McRitchie to pay the bills if found correct. This was passed by all.

Committee – Equipment & Apparatus –

- Still meeting on a new apparatus.

- A new chief vehicle will be tabled until after the septic is finished since we don't know if we will run into any additional charges.

Monthly Maintenance Report – Attached for October 2011

- ✧ Additional notes on the Maintenance Report
 - Ladder rack on 56-11 is still being worked on
 - AEV is still working on 56-71 it is back at Ford
 - 56-1 had repairs done to it
 - 56-2 needs to be towed C/Albrecht will take care of this.
 - There is a brake issue with 56-2 and 56-3. Audia's should probably look at them.
 - 56-3 has a heat issue. The heater-door seems to be broken.
 - 56-3 has a bad brake booster for 2 years. Albrecht's will take for a test drive.
 - AC/Gruntler will give his vehicle to AC/Corns for the next 10 days while he is out of town.

Buildings & Grounds – Station #1

- Haverty's has said that we could take down all the trees if we want to. This will be discussed.
- Billy Telfer has marked the parking lot where he thought the line came out.
- Getting prices to have the tree taken down by the siren
- Sgt Pika will have the painting done by Election Day.
- Please remind the Correction Officers not to turn the A/C down so low in the meeting room while in class.
- Nature Air has found mold in the mechanical room. He suggested that we cut it out ourselves and if it is metal studs to keep open for now.
- The see-thru trap with 3 cleaning orbious' on it was clogged. Nature Air fixed this and thinks we should put this on all handlers during the winter.

Building & Grounds – Station #2r

- There was a discussion on the ladies room window.
- A letter of thanks needs to be sent to Steve Feller for the donation of time for the work done at station 2.
- The lights that seem to be missing were placed outside the bathroom and someone seems to have picked them up.
- Cotte is still working on the siren.
- There still seems to be a bug and spider issue. An exterminator needs to be called.

Insurance Committee –

- C/McRitchie has been approached by 2 paid career members that they want to be removed from the health insurance. Discussion will be held during the next workshop regarding this.

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- Gerry is working on the new policies for us.

Service Award Committee -

- Meeting tomorrow night 10/12/11 at 6:30 pm

Rules & Regulations –

- A new SOG needs to be added fro Firematic Funerals. The goal is to have 22 SOG's in total and right now we are at 15.

Safety –

- None

Officer's Report – Chief of the Department – District Chief Ray Broas reported the following:

- 56-11 was scheduled to go for paint, however, can't get the truck in they are going to try for winter if not then spring. Everything is under warranty so if it gets worse they will fix that too.
- We would like to send 5 members to Schoharie on Friday to help them with their Fire Prevention Program. 56-1, 56-67 & 5 members will be going. C/McRitchie made a motion and it was seconded by C/Harmuth to send the members. It will be DC/Broas, C/McRitchie, Capt Ludwig, FF Cronk, and FF Rancourt.
- I had a meeting tonight with the web site designer things will start to move forward.
- 2012 FEMA grants have been submitted for SCBA and radios.
- I will be meeting with NDP this Thursday at 10:00 am for the off-hour coverage in Pleasant Valley. I have been told that NDP has secured a location in Washington Hollow. Capt Cassidy will also be at the meeting.
- When the bill comes in for the axle seal on 56-11 that needs to be submitted for the FEMA paperwork for Schoharie.
- ID Tags were approved and have seemed to be dropped. Does any one know what is going on with them?
- Discussion was held on physicals and current officers and and potential new officers who need them. A list needs to be made and reviewed.
- Monthly calls were discussed for August. YTD 1002
- The lights bulbs have been taken to the Recyclable plant.
- FF Houghtaling has graduated.
- There will be a November OSHA dated posted.
- The internal speaker needs to be replaced we are getting a new quote from MES which should come in cheaper than previous.
- Thank you for being very fair on the 2012 budget.

First Assistant Chief - Bryan Corns –

- 6 new pager portables have been delivered

**Assistant Chief Station #1 – Wayne Gruntler -
None**

Assistant Chief Station #2 – Matt Cady - Absent

Captain Rescue Squad – John Cassidy – Absent

Unfinished Business

- C/Harmuth a motion to spend \$100 on the Little Gaint Ladder from Jeff Hickman, the motion was seconded by C/Johnson and all were in favor. AC/Gruntler will get a bill from him.
- We have the opportunity to give out flu shots during the November Department meeting to try and alleviate the long wait line at monthly physicals.

New Business

- C/Albrecht made a motion to change the November monthly meeting to Wednesday, November 9, 2011 due to Election Day. This was seconded by C/Harmuth and all were in favor.
- The Public Budget hearing is Tuesday October 18th, 2011
- C/Albrecht made a motion to accept a Resolution stating that even through the Board is not anticipating going over the 2% tax cap we have permission to do so if need be.
 - C/Johnson – aye
 - C/Harmuth – aye
 - C/McRitchie – aye
 - C/Lamoree – absent
- C/Albrecht made a motion to have a special meeting on October 27th, 2011 at 7:00 pm to adopt the 2012 budget this was seconded by C/Johnson and all were in favor.
- FF Murphy discussed the FIT tester which has reached its age limit. Our share which is a 1/3 of the cost since we share it would be \$1700. It will be calibrated again in November and we will have to pay our share on that as well.
- Pump Ops will begin next week. A discussion was held on the students enrolled in the class.
- Emergency Control at IBM would like to send one person in for Pump Ops in return they can provide a parking lot and facilities that we can use for training.
- Pleasant Valley, Arlington, Fairview, and LaGrange for the time beginning are trying to put together a Central Dutchess Training Consortium which would help in getting certificates a lot quicker and more classes offered. MTO Murphy would like to know that the Board will support this effort. Yes they will.
- C/Albrecht would like a press release to be sent out once the parking lot is done. It will show the taxpayers that the Board of Fire Commissioners are trying to save money by having items donated.

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Open Meeting to the Public – None

Adjournment: There being no other business to be brought before the Board, motion by C/Albrecht seconded by C/McRitchie that the meeting be adjourned. This was passed by all. The meeting was adjourned at 2106 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Broas