

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONTHLY MEETING AUGUST**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pleasant Valley Fire District was held on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, at the Pleasant Valley Fire Station #1, 1619 Main Street. The meeting was called to order at 1930 hours by C/JA with a salute to the flag.

Commissioners present: C/ALBRECHT
 C/JOHNSON
 C/LUBY
 C/GEERLINGS
 C/LAWLOR
 T/SAUER
 S/BROAS

Minutes from the Previous Meeting – Motion by C/WG seconded by C/ML to approve the minutes from July 2024. Passed by all.

Open Meeting to the Public

None

Close Meeting to the Public

Communications:

- Renewal life insurance policy
- Marcus Macrillo resignation letter
- Investment Policy Statement from RBC Wealth Management
- NYS DEC PFAS Firefighting Foam flier

Membership

- Introduction of Daniel Cronk, Billy Cummings, and Kelsie Nau

Committee Reports – Equipment & Apparatus Committee:

- Nothing to report this month

Monthly Maintenance Report – Read

Buildings & Grounds – Station #1

- Harmuth met with Culligan about the water softener. They are recommending a phone call to a plumber. C/WG will call Sterling, they helped us out at station 2.
- There seems to be a lot of mold in the meeting room. C/WG will give Serv Pro a call about coming in to look at the mold. The ceiling tiles in the quartermaster room as soaking wet again! They were just replaced last week.
- Arco came to look at the alarm system. It was found that there was a lot of moisture in the ceiling and area in the meeting room. They believe that was the problem. They replaced the affected detector and left us 3 spare detectors. The sprinkler crew is going to come back in and find out why the joints are starting to leak brown junk at all the joints.

Building & Grounds – Station #2:

- Another leak in the kitchen. Dripping off the ductwork for the stove fan. I will give Fishwick a call in the next few days. If it is leaking from the roof. Let us know we will call Van Guard because it will be a warranty on the roof.
- Has the bay door repeated the same issue?

Insurance Committee:

- VESO is up for renewal in December. C/WG will call Keith about our renewal and see if he can do anything to help us.

Service Award Committee:

- None

Rules & Regulations:

- C/ML made a motion to accept the Child Abuse and Maltreatment Policy that is needed for the ambulance by New York State it was seconded by C/WG and roll call was taken
 - C/JC - Aye
 - C/EJ - Aye
 - C/ML - Aye
 - C/WG - Aye
 - C/JA - Aye
 - All in favor passed 5 to 0

- C/JA made a motion to accept the investment policy it was seconded by C/WG and roll call was taken
 - C/ JC - Aye
 - C/ EJ - Aye
 - C/ML - Aye
 - C/WG - Aye
 - C/JA - Aye
 - All in favor passed 5 to 0

Safety:

- No report

Officer's Reports – District Chief Cosenza

No report

1st Assistant Chief –AC/Cronk reported the following:

- Ballistic vests discussion we will be purchasing 10 new vests
- Discussion on the red trailer and what can be done to make it look better. Can we have it serviced at Trailer King it's been a long time. Let's see if it's even worth having work done on it.

2nd Assistant Chief –AC/Broas reported the following:

- 56-33 should be back by the end of the week
- 56-45 should be back by the beginning of next week.
- We will start apparatus going to Garrison at the end of August. We will start with either 11 or 12 and they will be gone for about 1 week each
- The new ambulance has a fuel fob marked 56-73 to keep it straight on all reports
- I am officially done dealing with Stryker 6 people are dealing with Stryker and now there can be 5.
- The new ambulance is not wired for the stretcher
- In addition, the antenna wire was drilled through at the factory and Goosetown had to be here for 2 days. We need more documentation to go back after the dealer.
- Boots have been ordered for drivers but EMT boots have not. I am still trying to track down members to be measured
- 12 Minitor 7 \$5340.00 pagers. That is just one quote waiting on one from River Valley. Would we get a better price if we purchase more?
- I request Executive Session

Captain Rescue Squad – Rescue Captain Ferris reported the following:

- 10 open PCR's
- Rescue Task Force Supplies are in. We will try and get the bags together this week.
- The training went well last week for RTF.
- Can we put a sign-up sheet up for the Field Mentor Members, yes this was approved a while ago
- Can we purchase EMS wipes? Get the quote to us ASAP so we can get them quickly.
- All demo items have been returned to Stryker.
- Lucas Devices, I would like to purchase 2 of them. I would like to get 1 this year and 1 next year. C/ML said to get the numbers together, talk to the Chief Staff, and bring it back to a workshop. C/ML is asking if the PCR's have been closed for both of those cases QA/QI has been looking for these for documentation.

MTO Murphy – reported the following:

- BEFO finishing up next week. We still are going strong with 14
- 4 members are going to the NY Medical College RTF class. They will take 56-69 to carpool
- EMT class, 2 are still going to take class
- Probie school starts Tues September 10th. It will be a Tuesday – Friday class. We will be carpooling with Poughkeepsie, LaGrange, and Arlington.
- What is the status of FF Bolner's probation? A final decision has never been given to us by the County Human Resources. Secretary Broas will contact them again.
- 9/8 will be the annual mutual aid tanker drill
- We are out of Fire Wipes but we are getting them donated
- I am getting quotes for online CME programs. Target Solutions has finally locked us out of it.
- Stryker did their yearly service today.
 - Old 56-71 the inverter is dying not enough juice to run both the AC compressor and the charger for the stretcher.
 - They are going to send us a harness for the Power Load for the new ambulance which was not included. Stryker has marked out where the harness must go. Only the bar is installed no wiring is there.
 - The stair chairs are 19 years old. The life expectancy is 15 years. They can no longer do a yearly service on them. Their recommendation is to replace them shortly. C/ML asked about the life expectancy of the stretchers. It is 15 years, and one is 2017 and one is 2018.

Bills – Attached is a list of the monthly bills for August that total \$117,761.82 for the general fund. Motion by C/EJ seconded by C/ WG to pay the bills if found correct. Passed by all.

PURCHASING APPROVALS

1. Parts to allow AT & T booster at station 2 - \$1411.01
2. A/C Duct & Diffuser repair - \$5200
3. Gloves and N95 masks - \$115.40
4. Cleaning supplies (office/trucks) - \$243.79

5. Replacement printer for (Purchasing office) - \$420.98

6. Polar Spring Water - \$570.81

7. Repair parts for wire shelf - \$96.12

C/JA made a motion to approve all purchases for a total of \$8057.61 it was seconded by C/EJ and all were in favor

Unfinished Business:

- Discussion on the approval of the Officer Requirements for the 2026 Elections. C/JA made a motion to approve the requirements it was seconded by C/JC. Roll call was taken

- C/ML - Aye
- C/WG - Present
- C/EJ - Aye
- C/JC - Aye
- C/JA - Aye

It passed 4 to 0 with 1 present

- The Fire and Life Safety Board per New York State was once the Fire Advisory Board. John Hopper and Matt Stone have been approved as the alternate members. This is a huge step forward. Matt Cady worked very hard on this and getting the name changed and alternatives on. We now have the same level as Planning and Zoning Boards.

New Business:

- Aidan Drum submitted a letter to be removed from the restrictive age policy. C/ML made a motion to accept Aidan's letter, and it was seconded C/JC all were in favor. A new arson check will be sent in.
- C/JA made a motion for the Plymo vent to be installed on the new ambulance it will cost \$1439.00 C/WG seconded the motion and all approved.
- C/JA made a motion to have Service for the Plymo vents done for \$2250.00 it was seconded by C/JC and all approved.
- C/ML made a motion to accept the resignation from Marcus Macrillo it was seconded by C/WG and all approved.
- C/JC made a motion to purchase 10 more vests from MES for \$18911.80 it was seconded by C/ML and all approved.

- C/JA made a motion to spend \$5192.16 on 6 portable radios from Goosetown it was seconded by C/JC and all approved.
- C/JA made a motion for T/Sauer to move money from NY Class to M & T Bank it was seconded by C/WG and all approved.
- C/JA made a motion for T/Sauer to modify lines on the budget to balance it C/WG seconded the motion and all approved.
- C/ML reported that Cryo-Weld a large price savings for oxygen bottles. C/ML made a motion to change the Oxygen bottles to Cryo Weld it was seconded by C/JC and all approved

Adjournment: There being no other business to be brought before the Board, motion by C/JA seconded by C/ML to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person(s) or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation Passed by all. The meeting was adjourned at 2103 hours to executive session.

The meeting was reopened at 2128 hours, and with no further business coming before the Board C/JC made a motion to adjourn at 2130 and it was seconded by C/JA, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Broas
District Secretary