

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
MONTHLY MEETING SEPTEMBER**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pleasant Valley Fire District was held on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 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 and a moment silence for September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Commissioners present:           C/ALBRECHT (JA)  
                                          C/JOHNSON (EJ) - Absent  
                                          C/LUBY (KL)  
                                          C/RANCOURT (LR)  
                                          C/GEERLINGS (WG)  
                                          T/MURPHY (JM)  
                                          S/BROAS (JB)

**Minutes from the Previous Meeting** – Motion by C/KL seconded by C/WG to approve the minutes from August 2019. Passed by all.

**Bills** – Attached is a list of the monthly bills for September that totaled \$111,883.63 for the general fund and \$5000 from Capital Reserve Account. Motion by C/KL seconded by C/WG to pay the bills if found correct. Passed by all.

**Open Meeting to the Public** - None

**Close Meeting to the Public**

**Communications:**

- Membership change letter from P/Murphy
- Letter from MTO Murphy
- Letter from resident at Salt Point Turnpike
- Copy of letter from Salt Point Fire Co to Town Board

### **Membership**

- Ebrahimi Reza – station1
- Luis Caraballo – station 1
- Thomas Fraher – station 1
- Garrett Doering – station 1
- Zack Cookinham (pending physical) – station 1
- C/JA made a motion to approve all new members this was seconded by C/KL and all were in favor.

### **Committee Reports – Equipment & Apparatus Committee:**

- 56-55 is coming along nicely working on dates for the inspection trip. Discussed 1 thing with him that we noticed in the pictures
- Discussion on the truck quote from DeNooyer. Will discuss at a workshop

### **Monthly Maintenance Report – Attached.**

- All vehicle inspections will be caught up by the end of next week.

### **Buildings & Grounds – Station #1**

- Window tinting has been done on the 8 windows
- Sticking doors are fixed at no charge

### **Building & Grounds – Station #2:**

- Door and Window have been ordered and picked up
- Water leak unknown if it is fixed or not, thank you for getting it taken care of
- Bees seem to be staying out now, will check them out again next week

### **Insurance Committee:**

- None

### **Service Award Committee:**

- None

### **Rules & Regulations:**

- None

**Safety:**

- Where hoses on the floor again by the ambulance...no

**Officer's Reports – District Chief Hickman reported the following:**

- When will the house inspection be at station 1? Soon
- I will be speaking with Purchasing Agent Harmuth tomorrow so that he can let me know when there is an issue with the purchasing
- MTO Murphy will be setting up a Pump OP Class soon.
- Last night went well only a few complaints.
- Arlington received a grant for \$138,000 for training. Can we look into more grants soon? C/JA made it clear we do look into grants and apply for them as much as we can.
- Mentioned the credit card issue with Syracuse hotel. C/JA will take care of it.

**1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief –AC/Cosenza reported the following:**

- Quarterly maintenance is going well, we are moving forward a little behind but we are shorthanded. We seem to be having an issue getting parts to match when we need to do a replacement.
- Dry Hydrant still not installed at the Old Williams Lumber, no one has been on job site in 4 days. C/JA will call tomorrow.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief –AC/Gruntler reported the following:**

- Absent

**Captain Rescue Squad – Rescue Captain Kane reported the following:**

- 56-72 downstairs still waiting on 56-71 to get electric work done
- AED's have been moved around. The Zolz's AED on demo did not work on the CPR patient the other day. It will be documented.

**MTO Murphy – reported the following:**

- Both stations have updated Best Practice sheets updated
- Sunday Oct 20<sup>th</sup> live fire at County
- In house Pump Ops working on dates
- Driver Requalification Sept 29<sup>th</sup> and Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>

- State chief Seminar \$25 per person would like permission to send 10 people. C/KL made a motion to send up to 15 people it was seconded by C/LR and all were in favor.

**Unfinished Business:**

- DC/Hickman can we try a new system with our new membership? A discussion was held on this. S/JB will send out a spreadsheet with contact information on it for all new members once they are approved by the Board.
- C/JA made a motion to pay Rohr's Construction of balance \$28490 which is all the changes we made to the original work. Please send thank you notes to Peckham and Bonded for their help. \$5000 from the reserve and balance from general fund C/KL made the motion and it was seconded by C/WG. Also, Rohr's took money off for the permits.
- Email update from off the server will be ready by Wednesday workshop.
- Salt Point will be doing a Fall raffle, gift cards to 7 different restaurants in town. Please show the sign to a board member for approval, any member can look at it and get approval.
- Department picnic will be held on Saturday. Stewarts donated 100 make your own sundaes for the picnic. Can 56-67 be used on Saturday for transporting between stations?
- A band was secured for Hudson's parade. It will be \$500 for the band. The band was great in Red Hook.
- Snowblower is still sitting outside waiting for the guy to pick up. Have the 2 members put a bid in for it.

**New Business:**

- The Annual Halloween Treat or Tricking flier was presented to the Board from Station 1.
- Permission for the Station 1 Christmas tree t-shirts. Working on the location for the tree cutting.
- Annual Budget Hearing for 2020 Budget on October 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. C/JA made a motion and it was seconded by C/KL.
- Proposed budget needs to be adopted by September 24<sup>th</sup>

- Alice Carroll would like to solicit for new members during Fire Prevention week at Acme.
- Alice Carroll, discussion on having Bingo in house. It is a lot of work involved with the State. Alice will start looking into the work involved. They are looking at Pocket Book Bingo
- P/Cady; Adam Baeder has resigned as Vice President and changed his membership to Life. The membership voted to approve it. Colin Burgess has been appointed as Vice President
- Businesses of Salt Point would like to do a tree lighting again, Saturday of Thanksgiving weekend. All that is provided is the space.
- AC/Cosenza has given us some fire hose to demo; I would like to get the new hose for 55 ordered so that it is here when the rescue gets here. We can discuss this in a workshop.
- C/WG asked Laura to go through the gym and mark all defective equipment
- Discussion of the list from Purchasing Agent Harmuth
  1. \$100 item needs to be tracked
  2. C/WG working on signs; a discussion about dry hydrant signs. FF Murphy said we have to check with the home owners not many will let us put a sign up.
- C/WG made a motion to spend no more than \$2500 to CMJ Tree Service, it was seconded by C/KL and they will discuss with him clearing out by the training house on the bank side; it was approved by all.

**Open Meeting to the Public for Comments:**

**Adjournment:** There being no other business to be brought before the Board, motion by C/JA seconded by C/KL to executive session for an issue regarding Employment history of 1 individual as it relates to medical that the meeting be adjourned. Passed by all. The Meeting was adjourned at 2035 hours to executive session. The meeting was reopened at 2100 hours, and with no further business coming before the Board C/KL made a motion to adjourn at 2105 and it was seconded by C/WG, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Broas  
District Secretary