

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONTHLY MEETING DECEMBER**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pleasant Valley Fire District was held on Tuesday, December 10th, 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.

Commissioners present: C/ALBRECHT (JA)
 C/JOHNSON (EJ)
 C/LUBY (KL)
 C/RANCOURT (LR)
 C/GEERLINGS (WG)

Other District Staff: T/MURPHY (JM)
 S/BROAS (JB)

Minutes from the Previous Meeting – Motion by C/JA seconded by C/WG to approve the minutes from November 2019 with the change to scene lights are not exceed \$2118.00. Passed by all.

Bills – Attached is a list of the monthly bills for December 2019 that totaled \$61,019.68 for the general fund. Motion by C/C/KL seconded by C/EJ to pay the bills if found correct. Passed by all.

Open Meeting to the Public

None

Close Meeting to the Public

Communications:

Various Christmas cards

Doctor note for FF Murphy

Town letter regarding snow removal

Upstate Plow and Truck Body Advertise

Membership

None

Committee Reports – Equipment & Apparatus Committee:

- 56-55 is on the way to Garrison. Discussion on the E-Draulic Tools
- Admiral is sending lights down for 56-1 and 56-2
- 56-11 ladder rack is being worked on.

Monthly Maintenance Report – Attached.

Buildings & Grounds – Station #1

- Another defective window was found upstairs and another one downstairs, one in the commissioner room as well
- Speaker will be coming off the roof when the weather changes.
- Wiring outside is a mess.
- 56-55 Plymo vent still is not fitting.

Building & Grounds – Station #2:

- Plymo vent override is inside.
- Door light is green not going back to red, nee to have this double checked.

Insurance Committee:

- No report

Service Award Committee:

- No report

Rules & Regulations:

- Still waiting on the lawyer. S/JB will contact Terry and get some dates to have him come in and meet with us

Safety:

- “Shall” will be changed to “Should”

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

- The new snow blower is purchased and here
- Can we set a date for the walk thru of the stations?
- C/WG and John Harmuth will be meeting with Dan Nichols regarding grant writing
- Can we give the purchasing agent a mailbox? Yes we will change the career staff to purchasing agent once we have the key for it.
- I have been told that we have a fire police member going to East Clinton without bus being dispatched to help out are they covered under insurance? No they are not covered under insurance.
- 56-45 requested to hang flag for funeral of FDNY Fireman who was also a volunteer Stanfordville on Saturday it will be going and 56-24 may also be going.
- The training committee has been meeting and we will be having back to basic training in January on the 6th and 19th. Accountability and leveling will be discussed in the next meeting.
- Read a letter from the Solider that he received regarding the Trees for Troops that they received.
- Will discuss the de-con room later in the meeting. C/WG has quotes.

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

- We need to purchase 600' of 1-3/4" hose for the new 56-55. It is 50' length at \$180 a length. It will be a total of \$2160.00 and it has a 16-week delivery. I have not received all of my quotes back yet. C/WG made a motion to not exceed \$2160 on hose and it was seconded by C/KL and all were in favor
- We need to order 5 more Minitor VI pagers for a total of \$2272.00; C/WG made a motion to purchase the pagers it was seconded by C/KL and all were in favor
- We have 7 Portables out for repair the total of repairs will be \$1353.00; C/WG made a motion to repair the portables and it was seconded by C/LR all were in favor.
- We need 10 new batteries for the HT1250 we have found Motorola batteries online for \$330 total, the motion was made by C/WG and seconded by C/KL to purchase the batteries all were in favor.

- We need to purchase 6 Standard hoods, 24 Firefighter gloves, 24 Extrication gloves and 6 helmets it was a total of \$3577.50; the motion was made by C/WG and seconded by C/LR all were in favor.
- We need to purchase 16 total helmet shields for officers and generic for a total of \$855.65 a motion was made by C/KL and seconded by C/WG all were in favor.
- A signature is needed on the change orders for Garrison on the new 56-55. C/JA needs to review this before signing off on it.
- Discussion on moving the radios over from the old 56-55 to the new 56-55, it was discussed to get pricing on new radios.

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

- None

Captain Rescue Squad – Rescue Captain Kane reported the following:

- Re-ordering stuff to get through April

MTO Murphy – reported the following:

- FIT Testing completed for the year
- Washer tablet is not working. Service will be done tomorrow. It is all under warranty. Will print report to show is washing
- I would like 10 spots for the State Chief Training to be held in Fairview on Jan 25, 2019 for a total of \$250; C/JA made the motion it was seconded by C/WG and all were in favor.
- Yearly cancer paperwork is being worked on. Should be done shortly. 40 members seem high but need questions answered.

Unfinished Business:

- A motion was made to amend the October minutes for fire gear. 6 coats and 5 bunkers were purchased for a total of \$17,897.85; C/KL made a motion to change the minutes it was seconded by C/WG and all were in favor.

New Business:

- C/KL approved 56-45 and 56-24 to go to Stanfordville on Saturday for the funeral all were in favor.

- Station 1 will be having a Christmas party on 12/21/19 and alcohol will be served. All were in favor to have the party.
- FPAT discussion with career department changes hopefully to happen in 2020.
- FF Murphy discussed a draft policy on training. We have had members attend training without our knowledge and this could be problematic if they were to get injured with VFBL.
- NYS weekend in Maryland at the National Fire Academy for 2020 is 4/3-4/5 it cost \$55.30 per person plus transportation, applications are due 1/18/20, get us more information and we will approve at the next meeting.
- Discussion was held on holding a family oriented buffet dinner with new officers being sworn in wearing uniforms etc. This was a good idea come back with more information.
- Fire Police need 6 new paddles “Stop/Slow” at \$219 each and hand warmers. C/KL made a motion to order 5 new stop paddles at \$219 each and the hand warmers C/WG seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- S/JB needs executive sessions
- Captain Luby needs insurance information for Fire Officers 1, FF Murphy will get it to them.

Open Meeting to the Public for Comments:

- None

Adjournment: There being no other business to be brought before the Board, motion by C/JA seconded by C/WG 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 2130 hours from executive session. The meeting was reopened at 2130 hours and went back to New Business; C/LR made a motion to purchase E-Draulics tools for the new 56-55 not to exceed \$33,000 it was seconded by C/EJ and all were in favor. Elections results were announced, and Bill Geerlings won his term to finish out 1 year and Melissa Lawlor won the 5-year term 103 to 71 votes.

C/JA thanked C/LR for all of his work the past 5 years and they hope to see him at the last couple workshops.

With no further business coming before the Board C/EJ made a motion to adjourn at 2145 and it was seconded by C/LR, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Broas
District Secretary