

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONTHLY MEETING APRIL**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pleasant Valley Fire District was held on Tuesday, April 13th, 2021 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) - ABSENT
 C/ LAWLOR (ML)
 C/GEERLINGS (WG)

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

Minutes from the Previous Meeting – Motion by C/ML seconded by C/EJ to approve the minutes from March. Passed by all.

Bills – Attached is a list of the monthly bills for April that totaled \$73742.65 for the general fund and \$4346.70 from the Service Award fund. Motion by C/JA 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:

- Letters from Acting Secretary Murphy
- Letter from Life Member Murphy
- Certificate for course completion that was required by Board of Fire Commissioners
- Thank you note from the Geerlings Family
- Letter from Zach Ferris
- FCC Letter
- Letter from Dave Rogers would like to set up a meeting
- Sigma Trembly Service Agreement

Membership:

- John Laffin - 50914 Annie Ave, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569 – Station 1

Committee Reports – Equipment & Apparatus Committee:

- Mill pump update architect has found a new model that we can use. He will be meeting us again soon

Monthly Maintenance Report – No Attachment.

- 56-11 has been fixed at Garrison
- 56-12 generator is still not working on the top
- 56-24 compressor on board is an issue
- 56-45 need to meet with Captain Cronk and FF Calamari to figure out what we are doing with the out-rigger plates
- 56-71 everything in the back that was plugged in would not work. When plugged into the extension cord it all worked
- 56-1 inspected and serviced

Buildings & Grounds – Station #1

- Classroom is 85-90% completed. Tables have been painted grey to blend in. We have 14 chairs in. White boards have been ordered. Key fob needs to be added.
- COVID room is 100% finished. Key Fob on that door

Building & Grounds – Station #2:

- Members room is coming along nicely
- Need to look at the wiring for the washing machine. It should be kept out of service until wiring is fixed.
- Have we gotten anywhere with the stones for the memorial? And a ditch digger for the outside wiring.
- Rentals are still closed. Membership only
- Who will be doing the lawn maintenance this year? Ken Bastian will be doing it again
- Thank you for the zoom package.

Insurance Committee:

- Renewal FDMNY workers comp insurance

- VESO will need to be sent out to everyone. Go ahead and send it out

Service Award Committee:

- Grievances were held and points will be mailed to Firefly shortly.

Policies:

- C/JA made a motion to accept the Social Media policy it was seconded by C/ML,
 - C/WJ aye
 - C/EJ aye
 - C/ML aye
 - C/JA aye
 - Approved 4 to 0
- New York State Pandemic was due to the state by C/ML motion seconded by C/JA
 - C/WJ aye
 - C/EJ aye
 - C/ML aye
 - C/JA aye
 - Approved 4 to 0

Safety:

- None

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

- Sexual Harassment class will be 4/25/21 at 0900 hours at station 1
- Reopening on 5/2/21, officers have been spoken too and station 2 members have been spoken too. Things have been lined up for the day. We should be able to get a lot of our books filled out. Both auxiliaries have been contacted and have not heard back as of yet. The Board has discussed with Chris Maeder and he will be here for some EMS training. Lt. Hickman will contact Chris for an outline.
- I have printed out all of our 1st and 2nd alarm assignments they are being looked over and updated. Capt. Cronk, Capt. Baxter and Capt. Simoni are working with me.
- Captain Cronk is working on getting 5 gear racks open for per diem guys.

- Hose test and ladder test is complete. Only a few little pieces of hose got dropped. Maybe next year we can add a 4th guy on for the day. It was extremely busy day
- County training is being announced and being filled instantly. We are usually on the waiting lists
- Per diem guys are they finally all hooked up with emails, ESO etc. Yes, they are all hooked up.
- Spoke with DofP/Harmuth last night about a rolling white board, it is all signed off on.
- EMS division has asked for tablets for the ambulances. Discussion was held on this about maybe getting a cell phone, it would all have to be added to the Verizon plan.
- Discussion on the Garrison quote for TFT. We have just transferred equipment from apparatus to apparatus. C/JA made a motion to spend \$7734.20 with Garrison Fire & Rescue for the TFT equipment, it was seconded by C/WG and all were in favor.

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

- Absent

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

- Wish list we are still working on them. Can I get a copy of the wish list before May 4th we are going to the Commissioner show and would like to see what we can do with vendors there?
- Classes are extremely hard to get into we did get 4 members into BEFO.
- Went over the interior member packet.
- We will hand out the packet on April 25th to the new members

EMS Division – reported the following:

- George is home, he looks great, we just did a zoom meeting with him
- CPR classes are back going on
- EMS division training is the second Monday of every Month
- We need to have an EBOLA policy it is a mandate, and we will leave it alone and let the Board take care of it.
- John Lester has passed away

- The supply room looks great thanks to Barbara's hard work. We are going to stop spending as much as possible.
- Brandon Kane would like to know if Allan Tarantino has been cleared for driving? Yes, he has been
- Can we get a status on Pam and Barbara driver apps? We will check with C/KL and let you know but they should be ok to start training
- Discussion on the calls at the Valley Motel right now.
- Is the training paperwork being taken care of, Captain Cronk is handling the training paperwork since they were under the impression they couldn't talk to FF Murphy
- No outside people for CPR is allowed in the Firehouse until further notice.

MTO Murphy – reported the following:

- Absent

Unfinished Business:

- P/Cady will meet with C/WG about the fliers for the flag burning ceremony
- Discussion on CME's. FF Murphy is still taking care of them. He has just recently sent CME information to Jenn Broas and Zach Ferris.

New Business:

- C/JA made a motion to change the labor attorney for the district to Roemer, Wallens, Gold and Mineaux it was seconded by C/ML
 - C/WJ aye
 - C/EJ aye
 - C/ML aye
 - C/JA aye
 - Approved 4 to 0
- C/JA made a motion to spend the FEMA grant money for the COVID equipment from both accounts in the amount of \$43,128.11 this was seconded by C/ML
 - C/WJ aye
 - C/EJ aye
 - C/ML aye
 - C/JA aye

- Approved 4 to 0
- C/JA made a motion to spend the 5% of the FEMA grant money for the COVID equipment from the General Account of the Fire District in the amount of \$2,156.41 this was seconded by C/ML
 - C/WJ aye
 - C/EJ aye
 - C/ML aye
 - C/JA aye
 - Approved 4 to 0
- Station 2 might change the meeting night in May it would be May 3rd
- Need to see the flier for the lotto board but it is fine to go that.
- Discussed station 1 fundraisers would like to do a Fall Festival with Food Trucks and activities. This will all be COVID dependent for rules at the time. We can start to look into setting it up and we will get an answer when we know how things will be going this summer.
- We will look into the insurance for Zach Ferris' request and get back to you.
- The Senior Lunches can start again in May
- The clean-up at the cemetery is ok as well
- Parades will be allowed this summer as well. It seems that the Department of Health is already putting out regulations on this.

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 adjourn to executive session at 2035 hours for an issue regarding Employment history of 1 individual as it relates to medical. Passed by all. The Meeting was adjourned at 2145 hours from executive session. The meeting was reopened at 2145 hours, and with no further business coming before the Board C/JA made a motion to adjourn at 2147 hours and it was seconded by C/ML, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Broas

District Secretary