

**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 14th, 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:
 S/BROAS (JB)

Minutes from the Previous Meeting – Motion by C/WG seconded by C/EJ to approve the minutes from August 2021. Passed by all with change

Bills – Attached is a list of the monthly bills for September that totaled \$39,125.67 for the general 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:

- Firefly letter
- Flier approval for Fall Festival – C/WG will take it to the Print shop and have them ready for this weekend
- Letters from Acting Secretary Murphy

Membership

- C/JA made a motion to accept Samantha Snyder for station 1 and it was seconded by C/WG and all were in favor.
- C/WG made a motion to accept the letter from Bob McRitchie to come back active this was seconded by C/ML and all were favor. Bob needs a physical and will have to take the sexual harassment training.

Committee Reports – Equipment & Apparatus Committee:

- Doing research on our options. Going to start doing committee meetings again.

Monthly Maintenance Report – Attached.

- 56-71 has an anti-freeze leak that just showed up, going in for service tomorrow.
- Discussion on 54-45 and changes that they are interested in making.

Buildings & Grounds – Station #1

- The sign has been removed. Need 2 20-amp circuits out front. C/WG made a motion to spend up to \$2500 to get unsafe outside wiring fixed, it is an emergency fix; C/ML 2nd the motion and all were in favor.
- Need to power wash the building, electric power washer \$279.00 C/WG made the motion to purchase this it was seconded by C/EJ and all were in favor.
- C/EJ would like to know when is the glass door in the foyer getting fixed? It will be looked at it seems to be a settlement issue
- The paper towel dispenser in the Ladies room upstairs is not working. FF Murphy will replace the batteries tomorrow.
- Discussion on the mailboxes downstairs

Building & Grounds – Station #2:

- Discussion on getting the hose dryer fixed. It needs to get fixed, C/WG will get all of the quotes together so we can get this fixed immediately.

Insurance Committee:

- Claim was put through on Life Insurance for Heather Hackett
- S/Broas is waiting for the health insurance renewal for the career staff.
- Discussion on making changes to the liability policy for the District. We will review what Keith has for us.

Service Award Committee:

- No report

Policies:

- No report

Safety:

- No report

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

- Update from Gary Aber should have something any day to move forward.
- PV Weekend just had meeting regarding the Fire Police activity. More police coverage
 - 56-55 will go down to the car show Friday night on demonstration. We are going to put pricing out to show how much our equipment costs.
 - Bike a thon and parade. Line up on Plateau Rd and going down to North Ave and to Rec Park. Arlington Marching Band will be in front of us since we can't get a band.
- Discussion on requesting unvaccinated people to wear a mask in the building.

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

- Discussion on the Vital Signs Seminar

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

- Open house signs are done. Will try and get them out by PV Weekend.

- C/JA made a motion to spend no more than \$500 on the Open House it was seconded by C/WG and all were in favor.

EMS Division – Rescue Captain Martin reported the following:

- No report

MTO Murphy – reported the following:

- Send out individual emails to all members with the yearly training
- October will be Ladies Auxiliary OSHA for both stations.
- Remember when we get reimbursed for Zach Ferris' EMT card it must be used for training when we get the check.
- Discussion on EMT training being done at Roosevelt for the additional 5 hours of training that is now required.
- 2 members starting BEFO on the 21st.

Unfinished Business:

- October 14th physicals start at 5:30 pm. Will get a sign-up sheet and work on the next date with TEK
- Discussion on EMT tactical pants that are now needed for EMT class through Dutchess. Need to have these in stock for EMS division, look into purchasing these, the training reimbursement for CME's can be used for this purchase.
- Station 1 would like an update on Pancake Breakfast...still on hold.

New Business:

- Ladies Auxiliary would like to know if they can do the Election Day Dinners. Drive thru or pre-order only.
- C/WG spoke to P/Cady and they would like an update on how to handle the picnic? Drive thru picnic is fine. DC/Hickman would like the members to know this is not the way we want to handle things but we can't chance anything with the numbers rising.
- The quartermaster room needs new ceiling tiles. \$515.00 change out all tiles in that room. C/WG made a motion to spend \$515.00 6 cases of new ceiling tiles it was seconded by C/ML and all were in favor.

- C/JA made a motion to accept Ethan Binford as the new career firefighter. 90-day temporary hire pending passing of physical, C/ML second motion – roll call was taken.
 - C/EJ- aye
 - C /ML- aye
 - C/WG – aye
 - C/JA – aye
 - C/KL – absent
 - The motion passed 4 to 0
- DC/Hickman has appointed Brandon Kane to the position of 56-7 temporarily.

Open Meeting to the Public for Comments:

- Pam Moustakas asked if an updated COVID protocol could be sent out to the members with any updates. C/JA will look into this and get it taken care of.

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 an issue regarding Employment history of 2 individuals as it relates to medical and personal matters. Passed by all.

The Meeting was adjourned at 2042 hours to executive session. The meeting was reopened at 2202 hours, and went back to New Business;

C/WG made a motion to accept the Driver Training proposal that has been put together by MTO Murphy, the cost to the district will be \$3259.50 this was second by C/ML and all were in favor.

With no further business coming before the Board C/EJ made a motion to adjourn at 2055 and it was seconded by C/ML, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Broas
District Secretary