

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONTHLY MEETING JANUARY 2022**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pleasant Valley Fire District was held on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 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/LAWLOR (ML) - Absent
 C/GEERLINGS (WG)

Other District Staff:
 S/BROAS (JB)

Minutes from the Previous Meeting – Motion by C/WG seconded by C/KL to approve the minutes from December 2021. Passed by all.

Bills – Attached is a list of the monthly bills for January that totaled \$67,720.02 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:

- Letter from Town of Pleasant Valley regarding snow removal
- Christmas Cards
- Letters from Secretary Murphy

Membership

- None

Committee Reports – Equipment & Apparatus Committee:

- Working on the tanker committee
- Discussion on the mill pump meetings

Monthly Maintenance Report – Attached.

Buildings & Grounds – Station #1

- 6 more windows to change
- Batteries on generator need to be replaced
- Electrician called in to check out the outlets in the member's room
- Has Don Way been here to check bathrooms? C/JA will follow up

Building & Grounds – Station #2:

- Dryers have been hooked up
- Members room is coming along nicely
- Alarm company has been updated with contact info for both stations
- The alarm box will need to be moved and it is currently dangling by a rope

Insurance Committee:

- C/KL will contact Keith regarding the Bond insurance for the Fire companies
- Will look into the Disability insurance policy as well with Keith

Service Award Committee:

- Will schedule a meeting by the end of January to discuss 2021 changes that need to be finalized.

Policies:

- Working on accident report
- Draft policy is being worked on by C/ML for the sign in sheets

Safety:

- No Report

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

- The Chief staff is planning a 90-day review meeting in March with the membership
- Officer meeting next Tuesday
- Start driver training on 56-67 very soon

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

- AED inventory has been done and found 2 missing AED's
- Fire Prevention grant has been released will try and get the blow-up house through the grant.
- Officers' shields have been ordered, the only shields still needed are for EMS captain and Station 1 captain. C/KL made a motion to spend no more than \$140.00 on the 2 shields it was seconded by C/WG and all were in favor.
- Will look at getting pricing on coat tails.
- Updated all G3 officers, Cars are switched around as well. Per C/WG G3 is on the website now as well under member section. Looking at pricing for 20-foot shipping containers they can go to the Town Highway Garage in the back. Roughly \$5200 delivered will get more information for next month

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

- I am retiring as of 4pm Thursday from the City of Poughkeepsie. I should have plenty of more time now.
- Thank you for the allowing me to have this position
- The communication between the 3 chiefs, FF Murphy and EMS Captain Kane is going very smoothly and we are in communication all the time.
- 56-45 will be used the next couple of weeks to get the next 4 Hometown Hero banners up
- EMS seminar \$99 before 1/14 after the 14th it is \$125. Need the 4 names of the members going and will need them to bring back information to share. Mandy Winslow, Mindy Robinson, Zach Ferris, Brandan Kane would be the 4 going. Discussion on how this was going to be paid; discussion on having a legal document made and notarized that the members will and have to pay if not show. C/WG

made the motion to spend \$400.00 for 4 members to go to seminar it was seconded by C/KL and it was approved by all. Can use 56-69.

- 56 calls as of today
- Personal matter for Executive session

EMS Division – Rescue Captain Kane reported the following:

- Good to be back
- Update on the PCR policy?
- The 4 LT's are working together
- Discussion about getting Glucose out in the field...would need a new policy
- 12 led KEG on the BLS level great help with the lack of ALS in the area all the time
- LUCAS device for CPR start, C/JA asked if he spoke with Don Sagillano about money available for this. No he has not.

MTO Murphy – reported the following:

- Graduation still scheduled for 1/28/22. Probably not be allowed to attend but maybe a surprise
- Jenn Broas and Trevor Simoni CME has been reimbursed \$600 for training purposes only
- CME program has been submitted to Albany
- FIT testing is done
- Annual training for 2021 will be submitted to workshop of who is missing it.
- Hands on ice training will be before the next meeting. We will need to find a new location.
- SCBA bottles- 8 bottles expire in 2022 director of Purchasing Harmuth is working on getting the pricing for the 8 bottles. Look at purchasing 10 bottles

Unfinished Business:

- None

New Business:

- C/WG made a motion to spend \$531.30 to change out windows it was seconded by C/KL all were in favor.
- C/WG made a motion to spend \$126.23 for new gold for Chief Uniforms it was seconded by C/JA all were in favor.
- C/WG made a motion to spend \$7913.65 for Waterway hose and ladder testing for the 2022 yearly testing it was second C/KL all in favor
- C/WG made a motion to purchase a Chiefs helmet for AC/Cronk for \$450.00 C/KL all were in favor.
- Discussion about the EMS division hosting a St Patrick's Day parade, LT Winslow would like to do it. She has permission to start looking into it she will need to discuss this with the Fire Company Fundraising Committee
- Discussion on the EMS LT's using 56-69 as a fly car during the week as take-home vehicle. It was originally used as a car from the firehouse to the scene not. It will be used for the LT's or Captain to get to the scene. Put a plan together in writing and bring it back the Board. Will discuss with both the insurance company and our lawyer.
- When Goosetown was here to install the new radio in 56-67 they also programmed all chief cars with new identification and changed all officer portables. There will be a bill for it.
- Discussion on the repeater site and a meeting with C/WG and Goosetown. Terry wrote a letter to American Tower to try and get an answer from them. Get Goosetown involved when the battery gets replaced. 99% change to the County radio system because of the technology that is being changed in the world. NYCOMCO wanted us to lease it for \$1500 a month and was told no, that is not acceptable. \$630.00 is the Goosetown quote that C/WG received to check the battery and antenna at the tower. Don't want to buy a new one until we know what is going to with the County. Goosetown has someone who deals with the FCC exclusively for swapping licenses over. There is a benefit to taking this over.
- C/WG made a motion to spend \$1,995.00 with Garrison Fire for a new Traffic Advisor LED unit it was seconded by C/JA and all were in favor

- C/WG made a motion to spend \$232.45 at Grainger for misc. parts for apparatus it was seconded by C/JA and all were in favor
- C/WG made a motion to spend \$161.74 at Amazon and Staples for misc. station items it was seconded by C/JA and all were in favor.

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/KL to adjourn to executive session for an issue regarding Employment history of 1 individual as it relates to medical. Passed by all. The Meeting was adjourned at 2031 hours to executive session. The meeting was reopened at 2125 hours, and with no further business coming before the Board C/KL made a motion to adjourn at 2130 and it was seconded by C/WG, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Broas
District Secretary