

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 11, 2023, at the Pleasant Valley Fire Station #1, 1619 Main Street. The meeting was called to order at 1930hours by C/JA with a salute to the flag.

Commissioners present:

- C/ALBRECHT
- C/JOHNSON
- C/LUBY
- C/GEERLINGS
- C/LAWLOR
- T/SAUER
- S/BROAS

Minutes from the Previous Meeting – Motion by C/WG seconded by C/ML to approve the minutes from March 2023. Passed by all.

Bills – Attached is a list of the monthly bills for April that totaled \$29100.35 for the general fund. Motion by C/EJ seconded by C/KL to pay the bills if found correct. Passed by all.

Open Meeting to the Public -

- None

Close Meeting to the Public

Communications:

- Letter from Secretary Murphy
- Communications with Insurance company
- Communications with Hannigan Law Firm
- Communications with Firefly

Membership

- Steven Tarantino, 3 South Quaker Ln, Hyde Park
- Alexis Fitzgerald, 279 Masten Rd, Pleasant Valley
- C/JA made a motion to approve seconded by C/WG all in favor.

Committee Reports – Equipment & Apparatus Committee:

- The ambulance was here for a demo, it is very hard to get Demo's right now. The ambulance that was here was \$356,000 with a diesel engine and 4-wheel drive.
- Tanker has jumped to \$550,000 for pricing. We will continue to look and see who else has demos.

Monthly Maintenance Report – Attached.

- Discuss about 56-32 and 56-24 contacting each other at the fire the other day. No one has come forward with the information. The members need to be reminded to fill out the accident forms.

Buildings & Grounds – Station #1

- Still waiting on a quote for the landscaping.
- Discussion on the doors downstairs rotting out. We have a quote to replace the bottom C/JA made a motion to fix the doors with the new sensors \$5660.00 it was seconded by C/WG. The door track at 56-55 is bent and needs to be fixed as well. All in favor of the work.
- EMS room has been painted. It looks very nice. The back of the door was painted EMS blue. Can the front of the door be painted as well. The outside of the door should be painted when the inside of the engine bay is done.
- The painter quoted \$475.00 plus a gallon of paint to paint 7 doors downstairs. Grey paint on the inside of the doors. C/WG made a motion to spend \$475. It was seconded by C/ML, and all were in favor.
- Discussion on changing out the doors that need to be replaced downstairs. We are still having a hard time finding a contractor to do the work.
- The door behind the ambulance is a hit and miss for closure. It just worked fine but yesterday it was not working. We will keep checking on it.

Building & Grounds – Station #2:

- Was the wall by the front entrance ever looked at? Not yet we will get it taken care of.

Insurance Committee:

- Went over audit details on workers comp
- Went over life insurance enrollment forms

Service Award Committee:

- Grievances will be May 1st

Polices:

- Working on many but nothing finalized

Safety:

- Working on getting inspections done

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

- Went over call totals.

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

- Hose and ladder testing tomorrow and Wednesday
- We have a shortage of helmets and a few of them are outdated. Recommending 12 helmets. One size fit all. C/WG made a motion to spend \$395.00 each it was seconded by C/JA, and all were in favor.
- The valve on the back of the tanker needs to be replaced. Discussion on it has been ordered already. There is no record of it being ordered. C/WG made a motion to spend \$1688.00 for the new valve it was seconded by C/EJ and all were in favor.
- A motion was made by C/WG to spend \$317.50 on a new white helmet for DC/Cosenza it was seconded by C/KL and all were in favor.
- Pagers are in we just need to get them the cloning pager so we can have the pagers in a couple of weeks.

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

- No report

Captain EMS – Rescue Captain Ferris reported the following:

- Thank you for painting the EMS room, can we purchase some shelves for that room for binders. You can purchase shelves at Williams, they can be installed next Tuesday when FF Holder works.
- Open PCR's are down to 7 and all of 2022 are closed.
- Tumblers for EMS week, I will have the proof by Friday, and we will have a motion made at the Fire Company meeting Thursday night to have the funds come out the EMS account. Any word on T-shirts or sweatshirts? Barbara Oakes is working on them, and she was reminded to show the board.

MTO Murphy – reported the following:

- Dry hydrant was installed last week at Camp Nooteming we should be able to test it this week.
- Uniforms have been ordered and have slowly been arriving. Arlington Ink will have them embroidered at \$20.00 a shirt.
- Currently the tan cabinet from the EMS room is outside my office and I have put all the uniforms in it. I will find a lock tomorrow and I will find a new home for it soon. I am working on getting them gear together we might have to order a new pair of boots for one of them. We are waiting for an answer from Garrison on rush new hire gear.
- Can we open a Carquest account? Yes, that is fine.
- Has the air intake been done with MES yet? We will check with Jason Simpson tomorrow.
- I will have the new hires stop next week to go over stuff.

PURCHASING APPROVALS

1. \$498.00 for dry hydrant parts C/JA made the motion to spend it and it was seconded by C/WG and all were in favor.

Unfinished Business:

- Discussion on the active member policy at a workshop. AC/Broas asked if we could add apparatus check to the policy that each member must attend 1 a quarter? We would have to add a weekday or weekend morning for the members working nights. Discussion on if we feed them, they will probably show up.
- Discussion on EMS division issues.

New Business:

- The use of the hall for the Howe Family is approved for Saturday it is ok to have alcohol served.
- The County Commissioners will be here 4/25/23 dinner is all set up.
- Physicals will be scheduled for May or June to get members caught up.
- C/EJ made a motion to close the account at Key Bank and move all funds to M & T Bank it was seconded by C/WG, and all were in favor. We will send a letter to Key Bank to close the account.
- C/EJ made a motion to change our investment policy to show NY Class could have \$4,000,000 in it for deposits it was seconded by C/WG, and all were in favor.
- Physicals will be scheduled for May/June, and I am going to start sending out reminders to let people know they need a physical
- If we are going to need to get information about the town for budget purposes, can we recommend 6am to 6pm for ambulance coverage. There are a lot of moving wheels with all of this, so we need to. Captain Ferris would like to sit in on the meetings.
- Captain Ferris would like to purchase 2 more pelvic binders, C/ML made the motion to purchase them it was seconded by C/WG, and all were in favor. We should look for a trainer for them.
- NYS accepted our 2020 audit.
- C/JA made a motion to accept \$6600.00 from Absolute Auctions & Realty for the sale of the 2008 Suburban it was seconded by C/WG, 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/ML seconded by C/WG to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person(s) or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation Passed by all. The meeting was adjourned at 2045 hours to executive session. The meeting was reopened at 2125 hours, and with no further business coming before the Board C/JA made a motion to adjourn at 2130 and it was seconded by C/KL, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Broas
District Secretary