

Regular Meeting

February 8, 2022

7:10 PM

Commissioners:	Stephen DiLorenzo	(PRESENT)
	Christian Erichsen	(ABSENT)
	Kevin Rizzo	(PRESENT)
	Alan Barone	(ABSENT)
	Phil Roloson	(PRESENT)
Secretary/Treasurer	James Passikoff	(PRESENT)
District Clerk	Denise A. Holzberger	(PRESENT)
Assistant Chief	Jeff DiMetro	(PRESENT)

Chairman DiLorenzo called the meeting to order, lead the salute to the flag, and called for a moment of silence for all fallen firefighters.

1. Approval of Minutes:

Chairman DiLorenzo asked for approval of the minutes of the January 12, 2022 organizational meeting and regular meeting. Due to absent Commissioners the approval of the minutes was tabled.

2. Authorization to Pay bills-

Chairman DiLorenzo asked for approval to pay the bills as reviewed by Commissioners Alan Barone and Kevin Rizzo, totaling \$94101.63 on Monday February 7, 2022.

MOTION: Commissioner Kevin Rizzo moved to approve payment of the abstract of bills totaling \$94,101.63, seconded by Commissioner Phil Roloson.

Vote: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

3. Correspondence-

The following correspondence was received:

Letter of Resignation- from Tyce Lambert 2/1/2022

Room Requests

American Red Cross Blood Drive-last drive we had a problem again with the bathroom toilet in the ladies room. Chairman DiLorenzo spoke with Ms. Downey regarding investigating this problem with the staff. Next Blood Drive is scheduled for February 18, 2022.

4. **New Membership-** none

5. **Buildings and Grounds St.1-**

Central Hudson proposal to upgrade lights to LED- Cost will only be \$11,239.62 to us. Total Project cost is \$35000. Payment options are 2,3, or 4 years. To discuss further during business session.

TOL Police Lease- rent payment pending.

Camera-(for rear of St 1) Safeco is waiting for camera to come in.

Air Purifier for Community Room- Commissioners DiLorenzo and Erichsen met with United to obtain a quote.

IT- Chairman DiLorenzo noted that our current provider is not as responsive as they used to be. Commissioner Roloson stated we need to be persistent. Chairman DiLorenzo stated he would like a Committee to address these issues including the email.

Bay door window- (31-40, 31-30) 2 glass panels are fogged; seals leaked. To replace, cost is \$740 each. Quote is from Dutchess Overhead Doors.

Buildings and Grounds St. 2

Eyewash Station-installed

Water Pressure- Commissioner Rizzo discussed changing the pump.

Metal grate-in front of 31-35; needs repair.

6. **New Apparatus-**

Assistant Chief J DiMetro stated that 12 should be wrapped up soon; Parts for 12 are also being ordered for 13. Old 31-30 has been sold; delivery to buyer will take place in March 2022.

31-45- blue light and arrow stick. No issues with auto-stow.

31-30- generator is okay

31-40- little body due; door completed.

31-12- when it is in, we will start driver training and mount tools. There will be specific training regarding the hoses.

7. **Insurance and Workers Compensation-**

Worker's comp- Commissioners DiLorenzo and Barone met with Linda Flanagan and Fleury of Safety Group 497 on January 25, 2022. There was discussion regarding the dividend program.

General Liability, Auto and Umbrella-renewal done.

Accident Policy- discussed increasing accidental death benefit to \$200,000 would increase premium \$318 a year.

Group Term Life- discussed eliminating the age reduction at 70 years. Currently it would decrease from \$25,000 to \$12,500. \$1679 more in premium would eliminate the reduction.

8. Service Awards-

2021 Census is ready to be sent. 31 members made 50 points or better.

Firefly is working well so far.

9. Ulster County Fire District Association- next meeting date unknown at this time.

10. Treasurer's Report- Treasurer Passikoff explained there is no Treasurer's report at this time as December 2021 is still being finalized. It was noted that Commissioner Rizzo will be reviewing the bank statements. Treasurer Passikoff explained that this review is very important for internal control. Endorsements, vendors and if two signatures are present for amounts over \$3000 should be looked at to make sure payments are legitimate fire district expenses.

11. Public Comment-none

12. Chief's Report-

Milton is on first alarm until all of our engines are in service.

OSHA – February 27, 2022 there will be two sessions.

Hazmat- February 24, 2022

SCBA/Bailout- To be determined

PCRs-will be electronic; we will use the New York State System when we need to fill one out.

EZ Pass- will be cashless soon; pass for our apparatus is in process.

Low Band Radio-license renewed.

Chief's Report continued----

Code of Conduct- to be re-visited since law changed

13. Old Business-

Commissioner Training- 3/26/2022 Commissioners Rizzo, Roloson and Barone to attend.

New Engine Permissive Referendum- 30 days is February 12, 2022. To meet with Ken Finke to sign Purchase agreement.

14. New Business-

Accident Policy

MOTION: Commissioner Phil Roloson moved to approve increasing the death benefit to \$200,000 at an additional cost of \$318 to the premium, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Rizzo.

Vote: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

Group Term Life Insurance

MOTION: Commissioner Kevin Rizzo moved to approve the elimination of the age reduction for the benefit at 70 Years old, at a cost of an additional \$1679 more in premium, thereby keeping the death benefit at \$25,000., seconded by Commissioner Phil Roloson.

Vote: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

Window replacement for Bay Doors at St. 1

MOTION : Commissioner Phil Roloson moved to approve the replacement of the windows of the Bay doors at Station 1 that have fogged by Dutchess Overhead Doors at a cost of \$740 per window, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Rizzo.

Vote: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

Air Purification System- Community Room St.1

MOTION: Commissioner Kevin Rizzo moved to approve the purchase and installation of the Air Purification System for the Community Room at Station 1 at a cost of \$1995.00, by United Air Conditioning, seconded by Commissioner Phil Roloson.

Vote: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

Central Hudson Lighting

There was discussion regarding the projection savings if we do this project and the deadline as to when we need to commit and do the project. Chairman DiLorenzo to get the additional information for next meeting.

March 2022 meeting date change

Due to various schedule conflicts for Commissioners and Chief, Chairman DiLorenzo stated we should change the meeting from March 8, 2022 to March 9, 2022. The Board and chief agreed. The District Clerk was instructed to send reminders and publish a legal ad regarding the change.

15. Executive Session

MOTION: At 8:15 PM, Commissioner Roloson moved to go to executive session to discuss the medical history of a specific individual, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Rizzo.

Vote: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

16. Return to regular session and Adjournment

MOTION: Commissioner Phil Roloson moved to return to the regular session of the meeting at 8:45 PM, and there being no further business, moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Rizzo.

Vote: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Holzberger, District Clerk