

Regular Meeting

July 12 , 2022

7:00 PM

Commissioners:	Stephen DiLorenzo	(PRESENT)
	Christian Erichsen	(PRESENT)
	Kevin Rizzo	(PRESENT)
	Alan Barone	(PRESENT)
	Phil Roloson	(PRESENT)
Secretary/Treasurer	James Passikoff	(PRESENT)
District Clerk	Denise A. Holzberger	(PRESENT)
Chief	Peter Miller	(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 June 14, 2022 regular meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Alan Barone moved to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2022 regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen.

Vote: 5Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

2. **Authorization to Pay bills-**

Chairman DiLorenzo asked for approval to pay the bills as reviewed by Commissioners Barone and Erichsen and Chief Miller on Monday July 11, 2022, totaling \$82614.90.

MOTION: Commissioner Chris Erichsen moved to approve payment of the abstract of bills totaling \$82614.90, seconded by Commissioner Alan Barone.

Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion was carried unan.

It was noted by Chief Miller upon review of a bill from A-1 Communications for \$374.70 listed as a late arrival, may be a duplicate bill. District Clerk to review and adjust if needed.

3. **Correspondence-**

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NYSIF- notification of premium audit

Room Requests:

July 13, 2022 requested by the Rotary of Highland for a meeting 6 pm to 8 PM.

Previously approved prior to meeting due to the date of the meeting .

4. Committee Reports: Building and Grounds St.1- Commissioner Barone and Roloson

Station 1:

Painting- Commissioner Barone reported he will meet with 3 vendors regarding the painting of doors and light poles. There are 12 light poles and 7 doors.

Sealcoating- Commissioner Barone to address,

Station 2:

Apron: no report

Trees- Chairman DiLorenzo reported that Nelson Tree Service had trimmed some of the trees. The flowering trees need to be cut down (tops only).

IT Committee- Commissioner Roloson reported that 5 access points are failing; a new quote has been requested. There was discussion regarding the tech failures and a monitor will be needed for the server. Regarding the Bauer Cascade System, a direct line is to be run due to the Wi-Fi failure. MCS provided a temporary fix on 6/17. We had lost some emails and MCS is trying to recover.

Card Access System-Chairman DiLorenzo stated that we met with Day automation to review the doors. Part of the Bunk Room will become the server room. HFD will control the key fobs for our doors. System will allow for better access control of the building. We look to upgrade the front door and back door with video as well. Equipment is covered under NYS Contract and as this is a public works project, prevailing wage is used. It was noted that once we agree to go ahead with this project it could take up to 6 months to obtain the hardware .

5. New Apparatus- Chief Peter Miller reported the following:

31-11- sending photos of colors of valves to E-One; this will make 11, 12, and 13 uniform.

31-45- Auto-stow -Chief Miller handling issues.

There has been an engine recall which will be done with Cummins
High idle, however when you step on the brake it returns to normal

New Apparatus continued-

31-60- A/C problem. Air Compressor has been replaced.

31-13- A/C issues and “dog walks”, rear axle not in alignment.

31-10- air compressor to be looked at.

Commissioner Barone stated we need to discuss these issues with Premier.

Command Cars- Chief Miller discussed the issues with the command cars.

The 2013 has rust showing and we are spending a large amount money on repairs. Both 2011 and 2013 should be replaced. We do not know prices yet but would utilize a mini bid. Pick ups are estimated to have a 9% increase in cost and Tahoes 15% which would be about \$55-58,000 each.

The 2013 is proving unreliable and 2011 is almost 14 years old. The availability of cars for 2024 is uncertain. We have spent approximately \$12,000 in repairs on 2013 and it has been out of service for 2 months. Vehicles have to be reliable and safe.

6. Insurance/Workers Compensation

We received a refund for the removal of old 31-30 from our insurance.

Workers Compensation insurance- paid through June 30, 2023

7. Service Awards-

June 2022 activity posted 7/12/2022

8. Treasurer’s Report- Treasurer Passikoff discussed the June 2022 Financial Report.

It was noted that the Workers Comp budget line is overbudget as expected because we paid through 6/30/2022. For the Sealcoating and painting, the reserve could be used and permissive referendum would need to be done. It was recommended that all estimates be obtained before deciding. There is \$668,000 in the Apparatus Reserve. Need estimates for the IT Upgrade. The 2022 Fund Balance is projected to be \$135,000, but this is a guesstimate.

MOTION: Commissioner Alan Barone moved to accept the Treasurer’s Report as submitted, Seconded by Commissioner Kevin Rizzo.

Vote: 5 AYE 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT

Motion carried unanimously.

It was noted the current proposal for Auditors is for a 5-year period, however with party can Exit. In 2023 a new RFP will be needed.

There will be a Special Meeting on August 16, 2022 (Tuesday) at 7 PM. The purpose of this meeting will be to plan the Proposed 2023 Budget.

9. Public Comment-

Town of Lloyd councilman John Fraino reported that he and Dave Plavchak reviewed MLSS Responses and found issues except for the Gunk Haus incident. We have to define our district. Estimated cost should be ready for the Town's Budget. Any concerns, please contact him. Response times are 6 ½ minutes. The bid has been awarded for the Tillson Avenue Project. Bridgeview lights bid is pending; this is to replace and increase the lighting as the current lighting is inadequate. The highway Department will do the excavation. The water department is replacing The tank. The Salt shed has been built. The Town has hired Millennium grant writers.

10. Chief's Report-

31-35- Pine Bush to visit us to review
7/30/22- Marlboro 125th Parade
7/28/22- Truck Clean- up for Parade
7/21/22-Company Training
7/18/22- hose to be placed on 31-13
7/25/22 – duty night
8/6/22- Ride with US Saturday

Emails-Chief Miller stated that some of his emails related to 31-12,13, and 11 seems to have been lost in the transition of IT providers; we are working on trying to recover.

Physical Exams- to follow up with those who have not made appointments.

Members should notify the Chief when hospitalized for any reason. Membership will be alerted of this requirement.

Mid-Hudson Bridge- No personal vehicles should respond when there is a traffic accident due to traffic back up that occurs.

11. Old Business-

Norman Staffing- Chairman DiLorenzo reported that we had 4 interviews so far and we do not have a candidate for the Administrative Assistant.

Commissioner Erichsen asked if the Hose company as any ideas what they would like for the Maltese Cross. Hose company will review and get back to him.

12. New Business-

Authorization of Purchase of Command Cars

MOTION: Commissioner Alan Barone moved to authorize Chief Miller to pursue the purchase of up to two Command cars, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Rizzo.

Vote: 5 AYE 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT

Motion carried unanimously.

It was noted that the availability of microchips in the automotive industry is 18-36 months.

13. Executive Session-

MOTION: At 8:37 PM, Commissioner Alan Barone moved to go to executive session to discuss the employment history of an individual which may lead to his or her employment, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Rizzo.

Vote: 5 AYE 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT

Motion carried unanimously.

14. Return to Regular Session and Adjournment

MOTION: At 9:05 PM, Commissioner Alan Barone moved to return to the regular session of the Meeting, and there being no further business, moved to adjourn at 9:05 PM, seconded by Commissioner Erichsen.

Vote: 5 AYE 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT

Motion carried unanimously .

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Holzberger, District Clerk

APPROVED 8/9/2022 BOFC MTG