

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners for July 11, 2007.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners for July 11, 2007 was convened by Chairman Hoffarth at 7:35 pm.

Pledge to the Flag and a moment of silence was held for fallen and serving fireman and military personnel.

In attendance was Chairman Hoffarth, Commissioners Buonassisi, Deegan, McCarthy, Nicoletti, Chief King, Asst. Chief Oudheusden, Financial Consultant Butler, and Secretary-Treasurer Ciancio.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Buonassisi/Nicoletti to accept the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners for June 13, 2007. MC.

Correspondence: 1) A letter from Robert Guena of the Town of Mt. Pleasant informing the Board that a recently installed water main to service the Kensico Dam Plaza has been approved to be put into service; 2) A letter from inmate Sidney Butler asking the Board for documentation regarding a call the Department attended on January 11, 2004; 3) A letter from Bill Young informing the Board they could charge .25 cents per page of the report that Sidney Butler requested; 4) A thank you card from Comr. McCarthy and family to the Board for their thoughts, visits, and fruit basket after his accident; 5) A letter from the Independent Fire Company terminating firefighter Seth Lederer; 6) A letter from Tina Peretti informing the Board of tax certiorari.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Nicoletti/Deegan to accept as read the Treasurer's Report, that bills submitted for payment be approved, and transfers executed. MC.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Balance Forward	\$ 3,872.14
Deposits	\$13,500.00
Transfers	\$70,000.00
MUNI Now Interest Income	\$ 443.16
Vouchers	\$ 6,318.25
Vouchers	\$75,867.39
DM (Check #4609)	<u>\$ 0.01</u>
CLOSING BALANCE	\$ 5,629.65

STATUS OF ACCOUNTS:

Regular Checking	\$ 5,629.65
Fire District Money Market	\$ 260,176.50
Capital Reserve Money Market	\$ 707,538.11
Building Reserve Money Market	\$ 86,730.63
Repair Reserve Money Market	<u>\$ 32,698.28</u>
TOTAL	\$1,092,773.17

CHECKS:

4597	Kenneth Hoffarth	\$ 30.65
4598	Verizon	\$ 127.73
4599	Michael G. Grieco	\$ 328.00
4600	Comptroller	\$ 350.38
4601	Thomas McCarthy	\$ 264.75
4602	Shell Oil Co.	\$ 153.18
4603	NYS Dept. of Transportation	\$ 100.00
4604	Michael Fox	\$ 9.55
4605	Exxon/Mobil	\$ 218.00
4606	American Express	\$ 1,955.52
4607	Grayrock Florist	\$ 75.00
4608	Eugene Bratton	\$ 212.49
4609	Vincenzo Moschetto	\$ 282.00
4610	North Star Medical Group	\$ 2,211.00
4611	Kenneth Hoffarth	\$ 304.50
4612	Verizon	\$ 77.56
4613	Verizon Wireless	\$ 120.97
4614	AAA Emergency	\$ 1,558.70
4615	Hawthorne Fire District	\$ 1,319.82
4616	Charles Stotz, Inc.	\$ 607.95
4617	Michael Grieco	\$ 1,500.00
4618	Xerox Corporation	\$ 199.65
4619	Staples Credit Plan	\$ 14.99
4620	Comptroller	\$ 463.64
4621	Utica National Ins. Group	\$ 4,383.00
4622	Fire Districts of NY	\$42,514.00
4623	Berlin Motors, Inc.	\$ 87.00
4624	Hummel & Butler CPAs	\$ 498.96
4625	Valhalla Fire Co #1	\$ 8,595.25
4626	Independent Fire Co.	\$ 8,395.21
4627	Thomas McCarthy	\$ 300.00
4628	Dean A. Huszar	\$ 290.00
4629	Sunoco	\$ 43.40
4630	New England Sportswear	\$ 537.90
4631	Verizon	\$ 20.15

4632	Sign Stop	\$	395.00
4633	US Treasury	\$	313.50
4634	Nextel Communications	\$	382.28
4635	Michael Deegan	\$	300.00
4636	Cablevision	\$	29.95
4637	NYS Employment Taxes	\$	1.13
4638	Kristen Ciancio	\$	1,301.25
4639	Andrew Oudheusden	\$	300.00
4640	Roger King	\$	300.00
4641	TZB Music	\$	1,000.00 (voided)
4642	Major Chrysler, Jeep	\$	<u>711.63</u>
	TOTAL		\$82,185.64

TRANSFERS:

TO: Checking Acct #670-0672326
FROM: Money Market Acct #670-0184941 \$63,000.00

TO: Capital Reserve Fund Acct #670-0184895
FROM: Money Market Acct #670-0184941 \$25,000.00

TO: Defined Benefit Plan Checking #670-0184941
FROM: Defined Benefit Plan Inv. Choice #670-00185441 \$63,603.88

TO: Defined Contribution Plan Checking #670-0464375
FROM: SEI Investments \$11,001.89

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan/Buonassisi to accept Chief King's report as read. MC. Activity report for June 2007: 31 alarms for 336 man hrs; 3 dept. drills for 125 man hrs; 7 Company drills for 123 man hrs; 2 meetings for 156 man hrs; 14 trainings for 65 man hrs; 7 misc. for 108 man hrs. TOTAL: 923 man hrs.

Chief King apologized for missing the most recent Quad District meeting - he was attending another meeting that night; he reported there was a dress rehearsal for the fireworks at the Kensico Dam for the Empire State Games on July 25th; the Department did not attend the Mt. Kisco parade as planned; July 14th was supposed to be a decon drill, but it was cancelled by 60 Control; he asked the Board who he would contact about the budget and ordering supplies for Fire Prevention week; he would like to go over invitations and finalize the menu for the Inspection dinner with Comr. Nicoletti; he acknowledged that Comr. McCarthy received the last of the shirts and they were distributed to members at Fire Co #1; July 25th is the Empire State Games, stand bys will be used.

Comr. McCarthy suggested a letter be sent to the Town of Mt. Pleasant and the Police Department that 'No Parking' signs be posted for attendees to the Empire State Games due to the horrendous parking conditions caused by the fireworks display at the Kensico

Dam. Chairman Hoffarth agreed that after the meeting they would compose a few points and he would draft a letter to Louie Alagno regarding the parking situation.

Chairman Hoffarth suggested Chief King coordinate with Comr. McCarthy on getting the food from Sam's Club and the Fire Prevention budget is usually around \$1,000.00. Chairman Hoffarth asked that Chief King submit his request for materials at least a month in advance so there will be no problems with getting it printed and send to him on time. Chairman Hoffarth suggested the Inspection dinner invitations should be sent based on the SOP; Comr. McCarthy suggested the invitation be re-worded to avoid uninvited guests.

Chairman Hoffarth reported to Deputy-Treasurer Matranga that there was a discussion regarding the tax certiorari and the one relating to Reckson for \$50,000, as this happens every year. Deputy-Treasurer Matranga explained it as an overassessment by Reckson, he didn't know what could be done about it – he suggested maybe talking to Robert Meehan. Chairman Hoffarth agreed it would be worth pursuing with Robert Meehan eventually.

Comr. Bounassisi reported progress.

Comr. Nicoletti reported progress. He has not received a list from Fire Co #1 on who needs uniforms. Chairman Hoffarth reported there was a bill for a new uniform for Michael Owens, Comr. Nicoletti was not aware of this and did not know who authorized it.

Comr. Deegan reported the Investment Committee of the Service Award will be having a meeting to look at where the Program stands and advice on where to go from here. He thanked Comr. Buonassisi for taking care of TL-49 and R-9.

Comr. McCarthy thanked everyone for their cards and prayers upon his return. He reported that E-82 is still under warranty and he contacted Campbell Supply to look at the air leak; he does not know the status of Ricky – his wife is not getting any better – he'd like to continue to use the van for transport; he asked if there are any window stickers but they all seem to be gone and don't know where they went; he asked if 50-year plaques could be ordered for members to be given out at the Inspection dinner; he commented that the Jeep was off the road, but Chairman Hoffarth confirmed it was still on the road – the plates were only put on another vehicle to move it but will be put back on the Jeep.

Regarding the Quad District meeting, Chairman Hoffarth spoke to Paul Scoca regarding a meeting to talk about dual response, Scoca will get back with dates of his availability; he asked about the use of the trailers and as it was, they were serving no purpose so the issue is squashed; the issue of the siren not going off at noon has been fixed; a charger was installed on R-9; a 2nd quarter check was received from the County as well as sending them the Quarterly report; the firehouse registrations have been sent in and received back for the Baltimore show; a FEMA reimbursement for food and supplies was granted for \$9,027.72, it has not yet been received; the recently adopted Code of Ethics has been sent to the Town Clerk, State Comptroller, members of the Department, and hung on all the

bulletin boards of the three firehouses; two bottles for Fire Co #1 have been ordered and received.

Chairman Hoffarth asked Comr. McCarthy if there would be bills for the generator, and when received we would pay up to \$15,000 to the vendor.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan/Buonassisi to reimburse Michael Kohany, Jr. for the cost of the EMT course, provided he passes it. MC.

Chairman Hoffarth reported there is a County meeting in Hawthorne on July 18th; the Annual Fall Workshop of the Association will be November 1-4 at the Nevele.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. McCarthy/Nicoletti to permit five Board members to attend the Annual Fall Workshop for the entire workshop and two for just a day. MC.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Nicoletti/Deegan to permit six District Officials to attend the teleconference on September 6th. MC.

Chairman Hoffarth asked Comr. McCarthy what needed to be done in order to get 'Tow Zone for Unauthorized Vehicle' signs put up at the three firehouses. Comr. McCarthy responded that a letter needed to be sent to Mark's Towing requesting him to do the towing.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan/McCarthy to permit cars 2481 and 2482 to go to the Baltimore conference. MC.

Chairman Hoffarth strongly suggested that some sort of security devices be put up around the 330 Columbus Avenue building due to recent late night unauthorized use of it.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. McCarthy/Buonassisi to explore the possibility of providing security cameras on the three doors at 330 Columbus Avenue. MC.

Captain Bratton asked Comr. Buonassisi when service on E-82 and E-84 would be addressed. Comr. Buonassisi confirmed it would be done during the week.

Chairman Hoffarth reported the problems with new pagers had been reported to ESS.

Asst. Chief Oudheusden thanked Chairman Hoffarth for putting in all the work that lead to receiving the FEMA grant.

Asst. Chief Oudheusden reported that he would be getting the pumps the next day and Comr. McCarthy reported that due to his injury he wasn't able to get the pump but would be making arrangements to do so.

Comr. Deegan reported that the Service Award audits for the Defined Benefit and the Defined Contribution Plan for the 2006 fiscal year have been completed. Chairman Hoffarth asked Comr. Deegan to explain how the payouts work for post-entitlement. Comr. Deegan explained that those over 65 that qualified in 2006 would receive a check for that year, once the Service Award has been verified. Financial Consultant Butler further explained the payment process and that the transfers this month were used to pay out to the members. Chairman Hoffarth suggested this all be in writing in the event any members have these questions again.

Chairman Hoffarth reported he sent a letter to Sue Swanson about the protocols, and he feels there needs to be a meeting about it. He will also send a letter to Anthony Sutton stating the District's opposition to some of the protocols.

With no other business to come before the Board of Fire Commissioners, it was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Buonassisi/Nicoletti to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 pm.
MC.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Ciancio
District Secretary-Treasurer