

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners for May 13, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners for May 13, 2015 was convened by Chairman Hoffarth at 7:34pm.

Pledge to the flag and a moment of silence were held for military and firefighters.

In attendance were Chairman Hoffarth, Comrs. Ciancio, Deegan, McCarthy, Oudheusden, Chief King and Secretary-Treasurer Ciancio.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan/Oudheusden to accept the special meeting minutes of April 2, 2015 and the regular monthly meeting on of the Board of Fire Commissioners for April 8, 2015. MC.

Correspondence: 1) A letter from VFC #1 accepting new fire squad members Ricky Thomas and Kevin Williams; 2) A letter from John Cullen on Jason Vigiletti participating in Firefighter I; 3) A letter from Independent Fire Co. accepting new member Aaron Stern and fire squad member Brian Meszaros; 4) A letter from Joyce Cole on the fully executed Grasslands Contract; 5) A letter from VFC #1 accepting new members Michael McGuinn and Christopher Colusacco; 6) A letter from Independent Fire Company accepting new member Leonard Revellese; 7) A letter from VFC #1 to host the annual St. Baldrick's fund raiser; 8) A letter from VFC #1 reporting their findings of the "Truck Committee"; 9) A letter from VFC #1 requesting the District purchase additional sets of turnout gear; 10) A letter from VFC #1 requesting the District purchase a mock-up bailout training platform.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Oudheusden/Ciancio to accept the applications for membership for Michael McGuinn, Christopher Colusacco and Leonard Revellese. MC.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan/Oudheusden to accept as read the Treasurer's Report, the bills submitted for payment be approved, and transfers executed. MC. Comr. Ciancio abstained from voting on checks 4028 and 4029 as this is his daughter.

CHECKS:

EFT	US Treasury	1,174.47
EFT	New York State Tax Department	226.22
4028	Kristen M Ciancio	1,033.76
4029	Kristen M Ciancio	1,033.74
4056	American Express	54.70
4057	Con Edison	386.65
4058	Verizon 2839	31.38
4059	Cablevision	209.75
4060	Comptroller	573.56

4061	Emergency Services Marketing Corp, Inc.	800.00
4062	Nextel Communications	378.27
4065	American Express	2,464.39
4066	AAA Emergency Supply Co.	1,531.50
4067	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp of NY	8,151.78
4068	Berger Hardware	75.49
4069	Cardmember Services	406.41
4070	Columbia Doctors	7,910.00
4071	De Campos, Fernanda	100.00
4072	Global Tracking Communications	399.84
4073	Hummel & Butler CPA's PC	685.00
4074	Huszar, Dean A.	147.00
4075	Independent Fire Company	10,284.31
4076	McNeil & Company	10,164.25
4077	Motorola Solutions (repairs)	60.48
4078	NFPA	300.00
4079	NYS DOT	100.00
4080	O'Connor Davies LLP	6,000.00
4081	Open Systems Metro NY, Inc.	525.00
4082	Palmerini, Michael	1,072.50
4083	Progressive Computing, Inc.	910.00
4084	State Line Fire & Safety, Inc.	73.50
4085	TJ Nethercott Oil & Gas Heat Service	140.90
4086	Town of Greenburgh	1,185.00
4087	Tremont Offset, Inc.	85.00
4088	Valhalla Fire Co #1	10,437.50
4089	Verizon 2839	31.38
4090	VOID	0.00
4091	Xerox Corporation	351.88
4092	Auto Action	903.19
4093	TJ Nethercott Oil & Gas Heat Service	243.50
		<u>70,642.30</u>

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Balance Forward	\$ 8,340.20
Deposits	\$759,421.54
Transfers – GF	\$690,000.00
Vouchers	<u>\$ 70,642.30</u>
Closing Balance	\$ 7,119.44

STATUS OF ACCOUNTS:

Regular Checking	\$ 7,119.44
Fire District Money Market	\$ 737,484.88
Capital Reserve Checking	\$ 933.39
Capital Reserve Money Market	\$1,530,217.85
Building Reserve Money Market	\$ 199,037.12
Repair Reserve Money Market	\$ <u>37,302.55</u>
TOTAL:	\$2,512,095.23

SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM:

Service Award Program – DBC	\$ 797,633.06
Service Award Program – DCP	\$ <u>465,723.74</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,263,356.80

TRANSFERS:

TO: Checking Acct #1003078601
FROM: Money Market Acct #1003077801 \$690,000.00

TO: Checking Acct #1003166901
FROM: Money Market Acct #1003079401 \$13,000.00

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Oudheuden/Deegan to accept the Chief's Report as read. MC. Activity Report for April 2015: 31 alarms for 332 man hours; 8 drills for 177 man hours; 2 meetings for 76 man hours; 1 training for 4 man hours; 9 misc. for 145 man hours; 3 stand bys for 101 man hours. TOTAL: 835 man hours.

Chief King reported 4/14 both Chiefs attended a meeting at Hawthorne FD for the June 13th drill; 4/20 members attended a lecture on the Metro North accident at Valhalla HS; 4/29 2481, 2483 and 2484 attended a Hazmat training drill at WC DES; 4/30 2481 and 2484 attended at pre-drill at Shaft 18; 5/9 the Department, North White Plains FD and Thornwood FD participated in Honor Flight; 5/12 the Department had annual Shaft 18 drill; 5/19 final planning meeting for 6/13 drill; OFPC changed requirements for annual OSHA refresher; band scheduled for Memorial Day Parade cannot attend since they do not have enough members for it; requested permission to send car 2481, 2482, an Engine, TL-49 and R9 to Pleasantville Parade.

Assistant Chief Lester reported on the updated OSHA requirements.

Comr. McCarthy reported AAA looked at the hose issue and determined there is not a problem with it but recommended purchasing a different type of hose; the water main project has begun on Legion Drive; Ruscon checked the light switch on E84; E84 tailpipe and a hook damaged at a call and will require a repair; spoke with Jason Vigiletti on

retaking Firefighter I; expressed his displeasure with a letter sent to Thornwood FD on Board members not attending their Annual Inspection.

Comr. Ciancio reported TL49 compressor requires replacement; responded to letter from VFC #1 on the gear.

Chairman Hoffarth reported 1st quarter Grasslands payment received; received tax check from Town; Government Efficiency Plan submitted to Westchester County; yellow book audit completed; ISO rating moved from 4 to 3; attorney is reviewing the Department rules and regulations for updates; followed-up with the Chief on sending a thank you letter to the mutual aid partners for the Metro North accident.

Comr. Deegan reported the recommendations suggested by the Investment Committee have been implemented by Cheryl Johnson; the Service Award investments continues to outperform market standards.

There was a discussion on the difficulties with the new requirements for Firefighter I.

Comr. Oudheusden reported the new sign in front of District HQ was installed.

Based upon a recommendation of Comr. Oudheusden and on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan and McCarthy the proposal from Ramos & V Tree Services, Inc. to prune trees on the property of 330 Columbus Ave. at a cost of \$1,200.00 has been approved. MC.

Based upon a recommendation of Comr. Oudheusden and on a motion made by Comrs. Ciancio and Deegan the proposal from Security World to install a CCTV system at District Headquarters at a cost of \$3,540.00 has been approved. MC.

Based upon a recommendation of Comr. Deegan and on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan and Oudheusden after a 60-day free trial offer it has been authorized to purchase a 1-year subscription to "I Am Responding" at a cost of \$800.00. MC.
Frequent false alarms at the same location are both a morale issue and creates a false sense that it may be a repeat automatic alarm. The Town of Mt. Pleasant has created a law for a Fire Chief to ticket frequent abusers of repeated false alarms. Based upon those facts and on a motion made by Comrs. McCarthy and Ciancio the Chief and Asst. Chief are ordered to ticket frequent abusers of false alarms at their property. MC.

Based on a recommendation of Comr. Deegan and on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan and McCarthy it has been authorized to update the software of the attendance module of RedNMX at a cost of \$920.00. MC.

Based on an investigation of Commissioner John Cullen of DES and pursuant to a Board action at the January 2015 meeting and on a motion made by Comrs. Oudhesuden and Deegan Firefighter Jason Vigiletti will be required to successfully complete the Firefighter I Course by 9/1/16. MC.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. McCarthy and Ciancio to approve the Kensico Water District contract for the rental of 270 fire hydrants at a cost of \$13,500.00 and Pleasant Ridge Water District contract for the rental of 3 fire hydrants at a cost of \$150.00. MC.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan and Ciancio that the Board authorize the purchase of 10 Minitor VI pagers at a total cost of \$10,432.50 under the New York State Contract. MC.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. McCarthy and Deegan to purchase 7 sets of gear at a cost no more than \$15,000.00 once each Company Captain has provided a list of the members in need for the new gear. MC.

Based on a recommendation of Comr. Oudheusden, it was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan and Oudheusden that the Valhalla Garden Center be awarded the project to update the island in front of District Headquarters with a planter and other enhancements at a cost of \$3,865.00. MC.

On a recommendation of Comr. Oudheusden, it was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Ciancio and Deegan that Jeff Studer be awarded the lawn irrigation project to install a sprinkler system on the island and along the side of the District Headquarters building at a cost of \$3,200.00. MC.

On a recommendation of Comr. Hoffarth and on a motion made by Comrs. Oudheusden and Ciancio a permissive referendum has been authorized in the amount of \$30,000.00 to be advertised for the purchase of 10 pagers and 7 full sets of new gear. MC.

On a recommendation of Comr. Oudheusden and on a motion made by Comrs. Ciancio and McCarthy to approve Hickey Door Specialists in the amount of \$2,900.00 for the installation of the rear door at 330 Columbus Avenue. MC.

On a recommendation of Comr. Oudheusden and on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan and Ciancio it has been approved to clean the windows at 330 Columbus Avenue by Fish Window Cleaning at a cost of \$696.00. MC.

On a recommendation of Comr. Oudheusden and on a motion made by Comrs. McCarthy and Ciancio that Joseph Buonassisi is authorized to install lighting on the sign, flagpole and the sprinkler system at a cost no more than \$2,000.00. MC.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan and Ciancio to authorize VFC #1 to host the annual St. Baldrick's fund raiser. MC.

It was moved on a motion made by Comrs. McCarthy and Ciancio to purchase 8 lengths of hose at a cost of \$215 each for a total of \$1,720.00MC.

With no other business to come before the Board it was moved on a motion made by Comrs. Deegan/McCarthy to adjourn the meeting at 9:14pm. MC.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Ciancio
District Secretary-Treasurer