



HOPKINTON FIRE DISTRICT
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Fire Commissioner Meeting – March 8, 2016

Present: Ronald Streeter, Steve Bory, Joachim VanElls, Dale Nicholson, Earl McBride,
Sue Wood

Absent: Carl Pitts

Guest: Ernest Wood, Steve Parker

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was held in honor of Robert Phippen.

General discussion on a proposed building was added to the agenda. Dale Nicholson (Steve Bory) made a motion to approve the revised agenda. All in favor; motion carried.

Dale Nicholson (Steve Bory) made a motion to approve the February minutes as presented. All in favor; motion carried.

The following claims were presented for payment:

- National Grid \$172.06
- Nicholville Telephone Co. \$66.11
- Earl McBride \$150.00
- Lampheres General Repair \$370.16
- Genaway Oil Supply \$113.00
- Active 911 Inc. \$282.00
- B-Lann Equipment \$129.81
- G & E Extinguishers \$100.00
- St. Lawrence Supply \$27.50
- Evans and White Ace \$176.38
- VFIS Insurance \$4827.00
- MX Fuels \$232.68

Dale Nicholson (Ron Streeter) made a motion to approve payment of the presented claims. All in favor; motion carried.

The treasurer reported a beginning balance of \$6,921.43. A deposit of \$95,895 was made. After payment of March claims, the ending balance is A\$96,169.73. The annual report and the 2% form were filed. Dale Nicholson reconciled the checkbook against the bank statement and everything balanced. Joe VanElls (Steve Bory) made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. All in favor; motion carried.

Privilege of Floor – Joe VanElls thanked the department for their assistance in pumping out his cellar.

Correspondence – Elliott's Home Supply donated the salt. A notice was received from First Due regarding hose testing. Robert Freeman will be Tupper Lake speaking on open government. Ron Streeter intends to go; please let him know if you would like a ride.

Ron Streeter reported on behalf of the Fire Advisory Board. All dispatcher positions have been filled. The training center will be open in the summer. The course list has been posted.

Chief's Report: Chief Parker reported there are no known building or mechanical issues to report at this time. Truck inspections and inventory were completed. SCBA inspections were completed with Pack 2 out for repair. Last month members logged 66 man hours responding to calls; 9 man hours of training and 37 man hours for general station work. One member has completed NYS OSHA refresher. The department OSHA training is scheduled for April 9 and May 4.

The pump detail revealed the need for basement pumps. A pedestal pump has been purchased and a sump pump will be purchased. Cascade System bottles were sent out for hydro-testing. These passed and are back in service. E61 taillight wasn't working; Lamphere's ordered a switch and repaired. The building generator would not start. The battery was replaced and D&D did some minor repairs at no charge.

The department will be participating in Recruit NY Open House on April 23 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Fire Station software program was received. Records are now being entered.

Calls for the month included:

- 2/16 2761 State Highway 72 – lines down; 8 members
- 2/17 348 Wilson Road – lines down; 6 members
- 2/20 Standby at station – structure fire Nicholville; 7 members
- 2/23 Standby in Parishville – structure fire in Colton; 10 members
- 2/24 2807 State Highway 11B – pump detail; 9 members
- 2/27 329 Converse – fuel odor in basement; 8 members

Joe VanElls (Steve Bory) made a motion to accept the chief's report. All in favor; motion carried.

New Business: The NYS Fire District Officers Guide has all kinds of different information. Both paper and electronic copies are available. Joe VanElls will check into prices and report next month.

The 2016 NYS Law Book is available for \$26. Dale Nicholson (Joe VanElls) made a motion for Chief Parker to purchase this. Treasurer McBride will furnish him with a check. All in favor; motion carried.

Joe VanElls (Dale Nicholson) made a motion to purchase a sump pump. All in favor; motion carried.

Dale Nicholson (Ron Streeter) made a motion to schedule hose testing. All in favor; motion carried.

Joe VanElls has researched possibilities for a new station. Steel buildings are running around \$300-400,000. The district would be allowed to issue a bond for this project. Land needs to be purchased for this project. Suggestions were made to contact a realtor to see if anything is available as well as asking around town.

Old Business: There is no update on the DEC grant. The truck committee met with a representative from KME. General specifications were put together and reviewed against KME specs. Items were added and deleted. The next step is to get the specifications to dealers for final review and bids put out. Specifications need to be universal for all manufacturers to bid on.

Dale Nicholson (Joe VanElls) made a motion to adjourn. All in favor; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Sue Wood, Secretary