



Commissioners Meeting – December 11, 2014

Present: Frank Barney, Carl Pitts, Ron Streeter, Earl McBride, Sue Wood

Absent: Dale Nicholson

Guests: Steve Parker, Greg Crump

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairman Barney, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Additions to the agenda included under new business – c) ink cartridge and d) repeal of 2% tax cap override. Carl Pitts (Ron Streeter) made a motion to accept the revised agenda. All in favor; motion carried.

Ron Streeter (Carl Pitts) made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 13 meeting as presented. All in favor; motion carried.

The following bills were presented for payment:

[ National Grid	\$160.71
[ AFDSNY	\$ 75.00
[ Hopkinton-Ft. Jackson Fire Department	\$385.71
[ Northern New York Newspapers	\$ 27.71
[ Orion	\$241.85
[ Cornerstone	\$107.06
[ Tyler Fire Equipment	\$13,625.81
[ Hopkinton-Ft. Jackson Fire Department	\$849.46
[ Earl McBride	\$150.00

Carl Pitts (Frank Barney) made a motion to approve the audit of bills. All in favor; motion carried.

The financial report was presented by Earl McBride. The beginning balance for the month was \$38,525.46. There were no deposits so the current balance is \$22,834. Ron Streeter (Carl Pitts) made a motion to approve the financial report. All in favor; motion carried.

Privilege of Floor – none

Correspondence –

- [ Letter received from NYS Office of the State Comptroller regarding the Real Property Tax Freeze.
- [ Letter received from NYS Office of the State Comptroller regarding the electronic filing of the annual report for the district.

Chief's Report

- [ No known building or mechanical issues to report at this time
- [ Truck inspections and inventory have been completed
  - o E61 still seems to be leaking a red fluid but have been unable to locate the exact cause.
- [ SCBA inspections were completed.
  - o SCBA Pack 2 needs to be sent out for repair.
  - o Four (4) steel bottles have been removed from service and replaced with new carbons
- [ Members logged in 220 man hours responding to calls; 199 man hours of training; 22 man hours of general station work
- [ Colin Pearl has submitted his letter of resignation
- [ Two (2) members completed Firefighter I (91 hours of instruction each)
- [ Pagers need to be either repaired or replaced
- [ FEMA Grant – due to miscommunication, timeline is too short to complete the grant.
- [ The department was activated through the State Fire Mobilization and Mutual Aid Plan to respond to West Seneca for the Buffalo Snow emergency. Three (3) firefighters responded with Engine 41 for a 72 hour deployment. Letter was received on how to start the reimbursement process. Chief Parker will supply the needed information to complete the form.
- [ Calls for the month included a standby at Parishville on 11/22 with six (6) members and mutual aid to West Seneca for 72 hours on 11/22 with three (3) members

Chief Parker was reminded that the district must be informed when the trucks are taken out of the area. He was also asked to confirm that all of Colin Pearl's gear and key to the station were returned.

Discussion was held as to send out the two (2) pagers for repair or wait and purchase new radios. Frank Barney (Carl Pitts) made a motion to purchase three (3) radio/pagers at a cost not to exceed \$900. All in favor; motion carried.

#### New Business

- [ The end of year meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 30 at 6:00 p.m. at the fire station to review any unpaid bills, as well as any other unsettled business. Carl Pitts (Ron Streeter) made a motion to approve this date and time. All in favor; motion carried.
- [ Ron Streeter has been working on getting areas of the station cleaned up. In the storage room under the stairs he found 2-3 boxes of face masks. Since these need new straps and cannot be used, they will be thrown out. This storage can be used for additional shelving space to store excess gear. Carl Pitts (Ron Streeter) made a motion to give any old gear away to a company that does fireworks. All in favor; motion carried.
- [ A request was made from the treasurer to purchase ink cartridges for the printer. Ron Streeter (Carl Pitts) made a motion to approve the purchase. All in favor; motion carried. Mr. McBride was reminded to take a tax exempt letter with him.
- [ Carl Pitts (Ron Streeter) made the following motion to repeal the resolution on the 2% tax cap:
  - o *The purpose of this resolution is to repeal the resolution entitled "To override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law 3-c." This resolution shall take effect immediately upon filing with the State of New York.* All in favor; motion carried.

#### Old Business

- [ The check issued to Lowe's for the battery has not cleared the bank yet. Therefore, no reimbursement will be made to the department until this issue is cleared.
- [ The 2% insurance money has been received and a check issued to the department.
- [ The stamp has been received for the district. The envelopes are on order.

Ron Streeter (Carl Pitts) made a motion to adjourn the meeting. All in favor; meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Sue Wood, Secretary

