

Comm. Louis Morrette - Chairman
Comm. Lloyd Denny, Jr., Comm. Michael Krisanda
Comm. John Palleschi, Comm. Michael Zotta
Terry R. Hickey - Secretary
Gerard F. Parisi – Treasurer

Monthly Meeting Held April 01, 2015

PRESENT: Comm. Morrette, Comm. Denny, Jr., Comm. Krisanda,
Comm. Palleschi, Comm. Zotta

STAFF PRESENT: Assistant Treasurer Jeff Donofrio
Secretary Terry Hickey

Chairman Morrette called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Chief Pollard introduced Ms. Emily Hilton one of the two (2) firefighters whose applications will be voted on at this meeting. Applicant Matthew March was not able to attend this meeting. Ms Donna Armistead, representative of Penflex, Inc., reviewed the 2014 LOSAP (Length of Service Award Program) for the Commissioners. She discussed the need to review and if necessary to update the SSFD program to remain in compliance with New York State Law.

Comm. Denny made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 04, 2015, meeting. Comm. Zotta seconded the motion which passed with a vote of 5/0.

MOTION TO PAY THE BILLS:

A motion to pay the bills listed on the abstract dated April 01, 2015, was made by Comm. Denny and seconded by Comm. Zotta. Motion carried 5/0. The abstract lists 30 items, with a total dollar amount of \$56,058.85.

TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND:

Motion to transfer \$56,058.85 from Savings to General Fund checking account to pay bills was made by Comm. Zotta and seconded by Comm. Krisanda; motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Assistant Treasurer Donofrio gave a summary of the District Six financial account which continues to be positive. Assistant Treasurer Donofrio reviewed the funds available in each of the district individual accounts and noted that he will continue this review as the year progresses. Comm. Zotta made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report; Com. Krisanda seconded the motion and it passed with a vote of 5/0.

EQUIPMENT:

No report this month.

The Commissioners went into executive session at 7:45 p.m. and resumed the regular session at 7:57 p.m..

TRUCK REPORT:

Comm. Krisanda reported the following:

Rescue-160	Problem:	No issues reported
.	Repairs:	None required
	Mileage:	6,187
ETA -161	Problems:	No issues reported
	Repairs:	None required
	Mileage:	3,565
U-162	Problems:	No issues reported
	Repairs:	None required
	Mileage:	13,596
T-163	Problems:	No issues reported
	Repairs:	None required
	Mileage:	8,675

T-164	Problems:	Electric horn not working
	Repairs:	KME notified
	Mileage:	2,028
U-165	Problems:	No issues reported
	Repairs:	None required
	Mileage:	9,064
C-167	Problems:	No issues reported
	Repairs:	None required
	Mileage:	63,606
C-168	Problems:	No issues reported
	Repairs:	None required
	Mileage:	46,541
C-169	Problems:	No issues reported
	Repairs:	None required
	Mileage:	6,122

Chief Pollard notified the Commissioners the lighting upgrade order has been placed following the 30 – day permissive referendum posting period. He also indicated the need for gloves for firefighter protection. After discussion, the Commissioners authorized Chief Pollard to order the number and sizes that he deems necessary.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS:

Comm. Morrette noted that the external blacktop drive area needs to be seal coated this year. He asked the Commissioners to consider an offer from Skip’s Seal Coating LLC. The blacktop surface will be sealed, any cracks will be filled in and the parking areas will be re-lined for a total cost of \$4,675.00. The Commissioners agreed that the work needs to be done and that the price is fair. Comm. Zotta made a motion to authorize the work, Comm., Krisanda seconded the motion and the Commissioners voted 5/0 in favor. Comm. Morrette indicated that the roof leaks that are occurring are due to drains clogged with ice. He will ask Mr. Weiss, building maintenance, to look into the situation. Comm. Morrette also stated that the building back-up generator has been serviced.

LEASE LINES:

No report this month.

INSURANCE REPORT:

Comm. Denney informed the Commissioners that a letter from McNeil Insurance Companies pertaining to terrorism exclusion applying to policies similar to ours. The letter informed the Board that the Federal Program has been reorganized and extended with a new termination date. Comm. Denny discussed the definition of Active Honorary status for firefighters. The clarified by-law will read as follows: ACTIVE HONORARY: A firefighter must have a minimum of twenty-five (25) years of service to be recognized as an ACTIVE HONORARY member of the department. In addition, the individual must maintain the following annually: 8(eight) hours of drills and 4% of fire calls. (This will be added to Section 7 in the By-Laws Manual and will appear on page 3). Comm. Palleschi made a motion to accept this clarification; Comm. Denny seconded the motion which passed with a vote of 5/0.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

The Commissioners reviewed the applications from Mr. Matthew March and Miss Emily Hilton to become firefighters with the South Schenectady Fire District. The applications were approved effective immediately.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The Association of Fire Districts of the Capital District has scheduled the Spring 2015 Training Workshop on May 16th 2015. Comm. Zotta and Comm. Denny indicated that they will attend.

SERVICE AWARDS:

Comm. Denny will continue to work with Chief Pollard and Ms. Armistead to update the SSFD program and bring it into compliance with New York State Law. This portion of the new law discusses the taxable vs. non-taxable option.

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OLD BUSINESS:

No report this month.

NEW BUSINESS:

Also relating to the LOSAP program the newly enacted provision to allow a scheduled "buy-out, the Commissioners will review the document outlining the

new provisions offered through the State of New York which Ms. Armistead will forward to the Department. The Commissioners reviewed the application for membership in the South Schenectady Fire Department received from Mr. Matthew March and Ms. Emily Hilton. The Commissioners voted in favor of accepting the applicants effective immediately. The Commissioners also reviewed a letter for FF Michael France requesting reimbursement for travel costs incurred while attending the New York State Association of Fire Chiefs. The Commissioners agreed to this with the stipulation that FF France produce certificates showing completions of courses taken during the conference.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

A fire call prevented Chief Pollard from giving his report.

Chairman Morrette adjourned to meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Terry Hickey, Secretary

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