

Minutes of Regular Meeting March 10, 2021

PRESENT: Commissioners Murray, Daly, Weitz, Pacheco and Chairman Woehrle

Also Present: Chief Lingenfelter, Chief Fritz, GBFC President Moskowitz
Attorney Hayner, Treasurer Splendido and Secretary Versocki.

The Video Conference Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Woehrle.

Motion/ Weitz, 2nd/ Daly: To approve the February 10, 2021 regular meeting minutes as read. Passed 5-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- A letter from The Grand Blvd. Fire Company stating that at their regular monthly meeting on March 8, 2021 they voted to add the following person as a probationary firefighter member: Ava Weekley of 1098 Regent St. Niskayuna, NY 12309. They ask that the Commissioners vote to add Ms. Weekley to the Fire Company rolls pending a complete physical and background checks.
- A letter from The Grand Blvd. Fire Company stating that at their regular monthly meeting on March 8, 2021 they voted to add the following person as a probationary firefighter/ EMS member: Brody DeLorenzo of 197 Ashdown Rd. Ballston Lake, NY 12019. They ask that the Commissioners vote to add Mr. DeLorenzo to the Fire Company rolls pending a complete physical and background checks.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: No Report.

BILLS: Commissioner Woehrle stated that he has reviewed all the bills.

Motion/ Daly, 2nd/ Pacheco To pay bills for corresponding check #'s 17772 - 17812 From February 12, 2020 thru March 10, 2021 totaling \$103,558.91 as reviewed. Passed 5-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Splendido Reported:

- Tax levies have been received.
- The reserve accounts as of the end of March 2021 were reviewed.
- The comparison sheets for March 2021 vs.2010 were reviewed.
- Budget versus actual expenses through March 2021 were reviewed.
We are 16.7% thru the year and have spent 23% of the budget. Due to up front spending and NYS retirement payment.

In addition: The auditor has all the necessary paperwork.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: No Report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE: No Report.

INSURANCE:

Commissioner Pacheco Reported:

- The insurance provider sent electronic copies of our insurance policies instead of hard copies.

MEDIA RELATIONS: No Report.

APPARATUS & EQUIPMENT:

Chief Lingenfelter Reported:

- Routine maintenance and repairs.
- Annual SCBA service testing has been completed.
- Personnel were sized for turnout gear to be ordered soon.
- Request for 20 50' rolls of old 1/75" fire hose be declared surplus.
- Request for 9 outdated turnout coats and 20 outdated turnout pants be declared surplus.
- Request for the fire hose test pump be declared surplus and sold for fair market value.

COMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION SERVICES:

Chief Lingenfelter Reported:

- Acture Solutions is near completion on the system upgrades. Training was received on 3/9/21.

EMS & EQUIPMENT: No Report.

HEALTH & SAFETY: No Report.

FACILITIES:

Commissioner Woehrle Reported:

- Lloyd Hale has completed all Balltown Rd. and River Rd. repairs.

Chief Lingenfelter Reported:

- Installation of the gasoline tank at the River Road station by the Town has been completed. The vendor provided an operational in-service. The tank will be operational once the old tank has been emptied.
- The bathroom sink at River Road station has been replaced.
- A recent water main break on River Road generated debris in the lines. Staff was able to correct the subsequent plumbing restriction issues.

- Thanks to a \$2500 grant from the Niskayuna Community Foundation our audio-visual equipment used for training and public outreach was upgraded with a new computer projector and screen installed in the training room and a new portable screen for outreach events.
- Quotes were obtained for monitoring of our alarm systems. Recommend contracting with Taylor Tech LLC for monitoring of station fire alarms and personal alarm device at a cost of \$50.00/month plus a \$75.00 programming fee for the River Road dialer.

ELECTIONS: No Report.

PROTECTIVE GEAR & UNIFORMS: No Report.

SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM:

Commissioner Weitz Reported:

- The 2020 LOSAP data has been posted for at least 30 day and there have been no protests.

INSPECTION & INSTALLATION: No Report.

REPORT OF THE CHIEFS:

Chief Lingenfelter Reported:

- FF/Paramedic Pelliccia has requested extended illness leave for a medical procedure.
- Insurance policy renewal was received. Policy has been electronically transmitted. The insurance carrier will direct invoice.
- FF/Paramedic Vinehout has successfully completed his probationary period. Recommend the board retain him as a permanent FF/Paramedic.
- NFD 1 responded to a structure fire at 1251 Van Antwerp Road on Thursday evening 3/4/21. Crews made a good stop under adverse wind conditions. No injuries to the residents or firefighters. Assistance was received from SFD, NFD 2, SHFD, Mohawk Ambulance, and the County Fire Investigators.
- Construction is under way at the River's Ledge development on Aqueduct Road. 16 Buildings with 10 units each are being constructed. Working with the town building department on plan review with respect to fire protection requirements.
- NFD 1 will be hosting a NYS OPFC Pump Operations class in April.
- 2021 year to date incident participation report is attached. Approximately 18% of the incidents had no volunteer response.

Chief Fritz : No Report.

• Department Activity	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
February Incidents	145	188
EMS	94	122
Fire/Other	51	66

Total YTD 145 188 (1/31)

Other Activities:

Emergency Callback 49 Staff Hours
Department Training 78 Staff Hours

Report of the Niskayuna Permanent Fireman's Association: No Report.

Report of the Grand Boulevard Fire Company: No Report.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion/ Pacheco, Second/ Daly: To approve a contract with Taylor Tech LLC for monitoring of station fire alarms and personal alarm device at a cost of \$50.00/month plus a \$75.00 programming fee for the River Road dialer. Passed 5-0.

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Pacheco: To declare 20 - 50' rolls of old 1/75" fire hose as surplus. Passed 5-0.

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Pacheco: To declare 9 outdated turnout coats and 20 outdated turnout pants as surplus. Passed 5-0.

Motion/ Murray, Second/ Daly: To declare fire hose test pump as surplus and sold for fair market value Passed 5-0.

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Pacheco: To add the following person To The Fire District rolls as a GBFC probationary firefighter member pending a complete physical and background checks. Ava Weekley of 1098 Regent St. Niskayuna, NY 12309. Passed 5-0.

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Motion/ Weitz, Second/ Daly: To approve the 2020 Service Award Program (LOSAP). Passed 5-0.

Motion/ Daly, Second/ Pacheco: To grant extended sick leave to FF/P Pellicia until April 14, 2021. Passed 5-0.

Motion/ Pacheco, Second/ Daly: To retain FF/Paramedic Vinehout as a permanent FF/Paramedic. Passed 5-0.

Chairman Woehrle reminded Commissioners and Staff that they are required to complete the annual Sexual Harassment Training class on Target Solutions.

Motion/ Murray, Second/ Weitz: To adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Passed 5-0.

The next regular business meeting will be held April 14, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

At the Balltown Rd station.

Respectfully submitted by: Fire District No. 1 Secretary,

William J. Versocki