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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' MONTHLY MEETING January 14, 2003

ATTENDEES:

Comm. Elizabeth Bomba, Chairperson
Comm. Paul Lahey
Comm. Ralph Chimento
Comm. Karen Pells
Comm. Patrick Rose

Attorney: Gerard Comatos
Treasurer: James Passikoff (absent)
Secretary: Renée O'Neill

Chairperson Bomba opened the meeting of the Arlington Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners' Monthly Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

I. Comm. Bomba requested Comm. Bomba and Comm. Pells to review Abstracts 12B, 12C and 1A.

II. MINUTES

A. December 10, 2002 Board of Fire Commissioners' Monthly Meeting.

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Chimento to approve the Minutes as printed.

- Motion Carried.

B. December 16, 2002 Board of Fire Commissioners' Special Meeting.

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Chimento to approve the Minutes as printed.

- Motion Carried.

III. **MONTHLY REPORTS**

No reports given unless otherwise noted.

- A. Service Awards- Comm. Chiumento
- B. District Inspections - Chiefs
- C. District Officers/Chief Liaison - Comm. Lahey
- D. Sub Station - Comm. Rose & Comm. Chiumento
- E. EMS & Paramedic Liaison - Comm. Bomba
- F. Public Relations - Comm. Lahey & Comm. Rose
- G. Equipment Maintenance - Comm. Rose
- H. Building & Grounds - Comm. Rose
- I. Capital Equipment - Comm. Chiumento
- J. Union Negotiations & Contract - Comm. Bomba
- K. Career Staff Liaison - Comm. Pells
- L. Volunteer Recruitment - Comm. Pells
 - A. Applications ready for action by the Board
 - 1. Sean Anson, Station 5, Fire Police
 - 2. Bryer Hawley, Station 4, 16/17 yo

A motion was made by Comm. and seconded by Comm to approve the aforementioned applications as members of the Arlington Fire District.

- Motion Carried.

- B. One applicant to be interviewed in Executive Session

- M.. Volunteer Liaison - Comm. Chiumento

IV. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. Letter dated December 10, 2002 from FF Gene Cerniglia to Deputy Chief Pells thanking FF Steve Tuttle, FF Gus Antalek and Lt. Dave Walsh for the excellent training.
- B. Thank you card received December 16, 2002 from the family of Mary Shade thanking AFD for the expression of sympathy.
- C. Received *Fire District Affairs - November 2002*
- D. Received a thank you card from the McTych Family for responding to Anthony McTych's call on December 2, 2002. (DC Pells, FF Tompkins and FF Cassinelli were on the call)
- E. Received a letter dated November 19, 2002 from the Secretary of the Air Force thanking AFD for supporting Staff Sgt. Laurence Wilson, Jr's service.

- F. Letter dated January 3, 2003 from Ken Andrews from Unionvale Fire District to the Board of Fire Commissioners regarding the meeting for Local Mutual Aid Districts on January 21, 2003.
- Comm. Bomba, Comm. Pells and Comm. Rose would like to attend.

V. **DONATIONS**

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Pells to turn over the total donation amount of \$ 125.00 to the Four Company Fund.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Frank Vasta	Transportation to the Hospital
Anne Constantinople	Assistance Received

- Motion Carried.

VI. **PERSONNEL**

A. Received the 2003 Elected Officers for Arlington Engine Co. #1.

VII. **SCHOOL REQUESTS**

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Pells to accept the attendance of the following members to the schools/seminars listed:

- A. FF George Finn: "Paramedic Refresher", January 6, 2003 - May 8, 2003 at DCC South.
- B. FF Larry Wilson: "Paramedic Refresher", January 6 - May 8, 2003 at DCC South.
- C. FF Larry Wilson: "HIV/AIDS Update", January 15, 2003 at DCC South.
- D. FF George Finn: "Fire Service Instructor I", January 20 - 24, 2003 in Montour Falls.
- E. FF/Mechanic Joe Tarquinio: "Welding IV", January 27 - April 7, 2003 at Boces.
- F. EMS Director John Kloepfer: "HIPAA Workshop", January 30, 2003 in Fishkill.
- G. FF Stephen Inglis: "NYS Fire Investigators Winter Seminar", February 7 - 9,

2003.

- H. FF Larry Wilson: "ACLS", February 14 - 15, 2003 at DCC South.
- I. Eric Philipp: "Haz-Mat Seminar", February 21 - 23, 2003 in Montour Falls.
- J. Lt. Rick Andersen: "NYS Instructors Conference", February 25 - March 2, 2003 in Montour Falls.
- K. FF William Horton: "NYS Instructors Conference", February 26 - March 2, 2003 in Montour Falls.
- L. Lt. David Walsh: "NYS Instructors Conference", February 26 - March 3, 2003 in Montour Falls.
- M. John Richardson: "Emergency Response to Terrorism", March 8 - 9, 2003 at Camp Smith.
- N. Deputy Chief Jeff Pells: "3rd Annual Officers Training Day", March 26, 2003 at the Westchester Training Center.
- O. Lt. Jeff Karn: "Career Officers Training", March 26, 2003 at the Westchester Training Center.
- P. Lt. John Palcher: "Regional Officers Training", March 26, 2003 at the Westchester Training Center.
- Q. FF William Steenbergh: "FDIC - Indianapolis", March 30, 2003 - April 6, 2003 in Indianapolis, IN. (TIME OFF ONLY)
- Motion Carried.

VIII.

COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS

- A. Comm. Bomba - No Items
- B. Comm. Chimento
 - 1. Concerned with the Fiscal lack of health of the District. No money has been put into the Capital Reserve Fund in the last three years. Concerns on spending and overtime.

Comm. Bomba reinstated the spending freeze that is in effect. Any spending needs to be brought forth to the Board prior to purchasing except for utilities, contractual and essential supplies for operations. Comm. Chimento said spending is going to be tight this year.

2. Requests that the Chiefs come up with a list compiling of the District vehicles, their age, replacement cost down the road.
 3. One (1) Item for Executive Session.
- C. Comm. Pells
1. Letter to be written to the Executive Board members of Station 3 to request a meeting regarding the career staff at station 3. Have them come up with dates and times convenient to them. Comm. Bomba, Comm. Pells and Comm. Rose will be at that meeting.
 2. One (1) Personnel Item for Executive Session.
- D. Comm. Lahey - No Items
- E. Comm. Rose
1. Has a meeting through Planning Department with Faith Assembly of God and Boardman Road. Will let the Board know what the outcome is.

IX. **CHIEFS / ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

- A. Chief Tony Alongi
1. Thanked the officers of 2002 for their support last year and welcomed the new officers of 2003.
 2. Deficiency list has been completed for 2002 for those who failed to meet requirements. Letters will be sent and copied to the Company Captains and Assistant Chiefs. Requests the following to be dropped:
 - A. Kevin Bohannon, Station 3
 - B. Carl Cacace, Station 3
 - C. Mike Collins, Station 3
 - D. Ben Edwards, Station 3
 - E. Geoffrey Serwatka, Station 3
 - F. Nancy Speedling, Station 3
 - G. Tim Gilnack, Station 4
 - H. Shawna Russell, Station 4
 - I. Pam Compasso, Station 5
 - J. Garrett Weiss, Station 5

Other members on the list will be on probation.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Pells to drop the aforementioned members from the District for failure to meet the requirements.

- Motion Carried.

B. Deputy Chief Jeff Pells

1. Submitted Year End Stats
2. Town of Poughkeepsie Police requesting to use Station 3 during the day from May 19 - 23, 2003 for a Hostage Negotiation class.

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to allow the Town of Poughkeepsie Police to use Station 3 during the days of May 19 - 23 for a Hostage Negotiation class.

- Motion Carried.

3. FDIC Members that will be attending are:
 1. Deputy Chief Pells
 2. Assistant Chief John Richardson
 3. Lt. Rick Andersen
 4. FF Kevin Maguire
 5. FF Steve Tuttle
 6. FF Gus Antalek

A motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Pells to allow the aforementioned members to attend FDIC.

- Motion Carried.

4. Workshop meeting on the 22nd will conduct assistant mechanic interviews.
5. Three (3) Personnel Items for Executive Session.

C. Assistant Chief Bill Phillips

1. Station 4 bought a new copier on State Bid. Requests from the Board if they would agree to pay half. Total cost: \$2,523.44.

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Lahey to reimburse Rochdale half of the cost of the copier.

- Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Chiumento that we adjourn to Executive Session at 7:58 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

X. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 9:23 p.m and returned to Open Session.

XI. **ABSTRACTS**

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Bomba to approve Abstract 12B in the amount of \$24,396.26, consisting of 87 transactions, Abstract 12C in the amount of \$42,077.83 consisting of 90 transactions and Abstract 1A in the amount of \$11,768.50 consisting of 21 transactions, for a grand total of \$294,242.69, consisting of 198 transactions.

- Motion Carried.

XII. **OPEN BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to accept Kip Miller as firefighter/EMS for Station 5.

- Motion Carried.

With no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Chiumento that we adjourn at 9:45 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Renée O'Neill
District Secretary