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Arlington Fire District

11 Burnett Boulevard Poughkeepsie, New York 12603

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MONTHLY MEETING March 12, 1007

ATTENDEES: Comm. Patrick Rose, Chairman

Comm. Norman Comerford (absent)

Comm. Ann Bollmann

Comm. Kenneth Muckenhaupt

Comm. Kris Duderstadt

Attorney: Gerard Comatos Treasurer: James Passikoff Secretary: Renee O'Neill

Chairman Rose opened the meeting of the Arlington Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners' Monthly Meeting at 7:30 p.m., with a roll call and pledge of allegiance.

I. Comm. Rose requested Comm. Bollmann and Comm. Muckenhaupt to review Abstract 3A

II. MINUTES

- A. February 28, 2007 Board of Fire Commissioners' Monthly Meeting
 A motion was made by Comm. Bollmann and seconded by Comm. Muckenhaupt to approve the Minutes as printed.
 - Motion Carried, 4 0.

Comm. Rose stated that he would like to suspend the meeting at this time due to our labor attorney being in attendance to discuss a personnel issue and then will reconvene the meeting in about 15 minutes.

A motion was made by Comm. Muckenhaupt and seconded by Comm. Bollmann to suspend the meeting and move to Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0.

A motion was made by Comm. Bollmann and seconded by Comm. Muckenhaupt to return to Open Session at 8:04 p.m.

- Motion Carried 4 - 0.

III. MONTHLY REPORTS - No reports given unless otherwise noted below

- A. Service Awards Comm. Muckenhaupt & Comm. Comerford
 - 1. Comm. Muckenhaupt stated that he is in receipt of Station 3's Service Award list from Eric DelSanto and will discuss it with Comm. Comerford.
- B. District Inspections Comm. Bollmann & Comm. Duderstadt
- C. District Officers / Chief Liaison Comm. Rose & Comm. Comerford
- D. Sub Station Comm. Comerford & Comm. Duderstadt
- E. EMS & Paramedic Liaison Comm. Bollmann & Comm. Muckenhaupt
- F. Public Relations Comm. Duderstadt & Comm. Rose
- G. Equipment Maintenance (Mechanic Tarquinio), Comm. Muckenhaupt & Comm. Rose
- H. Buildings and Grounds Comm. Rose & (Business Manager Borquist)
- I. Capital Equipment Comm. Muckenhaupt & Comm. Comerford
- J. Union Negotiations & Contract Comm. Muckenhaupt & Comm. Duderstadt
- K. Career Staff Liaison Comm. Rose & Comm. Muckenhaupt
- L. Volunteer Recruitment Comm. Duderstadt & Comm. Bollmann
 - A. Approve retroactively (never acted upon at 02/28/07 meeting):
 - 1. Carlos Gonzalez, Station 5, FF
 - 2. Steffen Reimuth, Station 4, FF
 - 3. Antonio Milanese, Station 5 FP

A motion was made by Comm. Duderstadt and seconded by Comm. Muckenhaupt to retroactively approve Carlos Gonzalez, Steffen Reimuth and Antonio Milanese, effective February 28th.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0.

M. Volunteer Liaison - Comm. Duderstadt & Comm. Bollmann

IV. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

A. Received the January 23, 2007 minutes of the Association of Fire Districts of Dutchess County that was held at DC 911.

V. PERSONNEL

A. E-mail dated March 5, 2007 from FF Jennifer Juavinett, Station 4, requesting that the Board reconsider her termination as a firefighter. She stated she sent a letter for an academic leave in October 2006. (Never received by the District)

A motion was made by Comm. Rose and seconded by Comm. Bollmann to reinstate Jennifer Juavinett, with appropriate remediation.

Motion Carried, 4 - 0.

VI. **DONATIONS**

A motion was made by Comm. Muckenhaupt and seconded by Comm. Bollmann to turnover the

NAME REASON

Jennifer Giorgi Car Seat Installation

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0.

VII. SCHOOL REQUESTS

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

- A. FF Robert Hanaburgh, Jr.: "I-300 Intermediate ICS", March 21 23, 2007 at Orange County Community College.
- B. FF Robert Hanaburgh, Jr.: "Live Fire Training Safety", March 11, 2007 at Orange County FTC.
- C. FF Robert Hanaburgh, Jr.: "Conducting Live Fire Training", March 11, 2007 at Orange County FTC.
- D. "Principles of Building Construction: Non-Combustible", April 14 15, 2007 at AFD HQ.
 - 1. FF Joe Palestro
 - 2. FF Erin Hanlon
- E. Fire Police Mike Brown: "NYS Fire Chaplin Association Annual Training Course", April 21 25, 2007 at Montour.
- F. "Putnam Northern Westchester Fire Police Seminar", April 11 & 18, 2007 at PC Sheriffs Office.
 - 1. FP Peter Dory
 - 2. FP Mike Brown
 - 3. FP Sean Anson
- G. FF John Ortiz: "FDIC", April 17 21, 2007 in Indianapolis.
- H. "Firefighter I", starting March 12, 2007 at AFD HQ.
 - 1. FF Brian Dorn
 - 2. FF Brian Traphagen
- I. Lt. John Palcher: "Fire Investigation Courtroom Testimony and Interviewing", June 18 29, 2007 at National Fire Academy.

Deputy Chief Pells submitted the following school request at the time of this meeting:

- J. FF Dan Emery: "CEVO", March 13 14, 2007 at AFD HQ.
 - Motion Carried, 4 0.

- VIII. <u>COMMISSIONERS ITEMS</u> No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted
 - A. Comm. Duderstadt One (1) Item for Executive Session.
 - B. Comm. Rose One (1) Item for Executive Session.

IX. CHIEFS / ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- A. Chief David Roberts, Sr.
 - 1. Received a letter from Dutchess County Public Works advising of a public hearing to be held on March 20th, starting at 6:00 p.m at Van Wyck Jr. High School regarding the Dutchess Rail Trail.
 - Deputy Chief Pells stated that his concern is the crossing of Route 55, but he will try to attend to get more information.
 - 2. District T-Shirts input on sizes are being received; will order shirts once everything is received.
 - 3. FYI as of February 28th 34 volunteer firefighters have OSHA completions.
 - 4. Five (5) Personnel Items for Executive Session.

B. Deputy Chief Jeff Pells

1. Training Authorization - General Municipal Law 72-G allows the Chief to approve classes under certain conditions. Wants to propose to the Board, to allow specific classes approved by the Chief to get things going, with notification to the Board. This pertains to all "In County" classes, i.e. OFPC, DC or AFD classes, and costs not to exceed \$50 for materials.

Comm. Rose stated that he thought that the Board needed to approve for insurance purposes. Attorney Comatos stated that this is a different statute, which allows the Chief to authorize schools. Comm. Rose stated to go ahead and approve them, then notify the Board. Attorney Comatos reiterated to go ahead, sign them up, let them attend and the Board to ratify it. Comm. Rose stated yes, the Board just wants to be notified of the classes that are being taken.

- 2. FYI payment received from Castle Court for 2006; letter sent regarding nonpayment from Lutheran Care for \$30K, plus unpaid interest at 9% since December.
- 3. Notice sent on the IBM Road names; map will be given out.
- 4. Expense Reimbursement Policy regarding meals and travel. Wants Board to review the revised document, which includes previous polices. Wanted to put everything in one policy.
- 5. Working with LaGrange FD regarding more Mutual Aid and Mechanics working with each other. Need to do some items before it can go in effect:
 - 1. Hold Harmless Clauses
 - 2. "Garage Keeper" Liability Rider
 - 3. Not considered Mutual Aid with Mechanics working together.
 - 4. Injuries 207A for our workers

Comm. Rose stated that Comm. Muckenhaupt and himself would like to sit down with LaGrange to discuss further.

- 6. Workers Compensation Thanks to AC Alongi, we were able to recoup \$90K, of which 35% will go to the Compensation Consulting Company that did the evaluation. We will receive a check for approximately \$50K.

 The Board thanked Tony, greatly appreciated
- C. EMS Director John Kloepfer
 - 1. One (1) Item for Executive Session
 - 2. A request to use the Training Room on April 19th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for a cardiology drill

A motion was made by Comm. Bollmann and seconded by Comm. Muckenhaupt to approve the use of the Training Room on April 19th for the cardiology drill.

- Motion Carried, 4 0.
- 3. Out of EMS helmets requesting to purchase 25 in the amount of \$2,033.75 to come out of his EMS budget.

A motion was made by Comm. Duderstadt and seconded by Comm. Bollmann to purchase 25 EMS helmets in the amount of \$2,033.75 to come out of the EMS fund.

- Motion Carried, 4 0.
- D. Assistant Chief Frank Carlon (absent)
- E. Assistant Chief Tony Alongi No Items
- F. Assistant Chief Kevin Finnigan (absent)
- G. Assistant Chief Eric Phillip (absent)
- H. Treasurer Jim Passikoff
 - 1. No report yet for January / February. Will send the report via e-mail to the Commissioners.
 - 2. Received some proposals on the Audit. Should have a recommendation at the next meeting.
- I. Attorney Gerard Comatos No Items
- J. Business Manager Frank Borquist (absent)
- X. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR
- XI. <u>COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS</u> No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted

With no further open items to discuss, a motion was made by Comm. Muckenhaupt and seconded by Comm. Bollmann to take a five minute break at 8:29 p.m. and then adjourn to Executive Session.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0.

XII. <u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u>

The Board came out of Executive Session at 10:37 p.m. and returned to Open Session.

XIII. ABSTRACT

A motion was made by Comm. Muckenhaupt and seconded by Comm. Duderstadt to approve abstract 3A in the amount of \$174,894.58, consisting of 78 transactions.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0.

XIV. **OPEN ITEMS**

A motion was made by Comm. Rose and seconded by Comm. Duderstadt to accept Michael Vanzo as an out of the district firefighter for Station 3.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0

With no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Comm. Muckenhaupt and seconded by Comm. Bollmann that we adjourn.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee O'Neill Fire District Secretary