



Arlington Fire District

11 Burnett Boulevard
Poughkeepsie, New York
12603

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' MONTHLY MEETING March 13, 2001

ATTENDEES: Comm. Paul Lahey, Chairman
Comm. Ralph Chiumento
Comm. Gerard Philipp
Comm. Karen Pells
Comm. Elizabeth Bomba

Attorney: Gerard Comatos
Treasurer: James Passikoff (arrived at 8:10 p.m.)
Secretary: Renee Gaddis

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

I. Comm. Lahey requested Comm. Bomba and Comm. Pells to review Abstract 3A.

II. MINUTES

A. February 28, 2001 Board of Fire Commissioners' Workshop Meeting.
A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. Pells to approve the Minutes as printed.

- Motion Carried.

III. MONTHLY REPORTS

- A. Chief's Report - February 2001
- B. Service Awards- Comm. Chiumento
 - 1. Still have not received anything from Engine Co. #1. Need by March 28th.
 - A. Jim Deane, President of Engine Co. #1, stated that he will get what he can by the 28th. Pete

used to input the points and never showed anyone how to do it before he left.

- C. District Inspections - Chiefs
 - 1. Chief Alongi stated the following:
 - A. Uniform Inspection - LaGrange Parade, July 14, 2001.
 - B. Apparatus & Station Inspection - September 6, 2001 - Tentative date.
 - C. District Picnic - September 8, 2001.
- D. District Officers/Chief Liaison - Comm. Chiumento - No Report.
- E. Sub Station - Comm. Philipp
 - 1. Comm. Philipp spoke to Attorney Comatos regarding the lease with Vassar College. Attorney Comatos stated that he will look over the proposed lease.
 - 2. Talked to Richard Cox, maintenance & grounds of Vassar College. He spoke with Central Hudson. Central Hudson does not own anything there. Mr. Cox will get with his people and they will decide what can be pulled and what has to stay.
- F. EMS & Paramedic Liaison - Chairman Lahey - No Report.
- G. Public Relations- Chairman Lahey - No Report.
- H. Building & Grounds- Comm. Philipp - No Report.
- I. Capital Equipment - Comm. Philipp - No Report.
- J. Career Staff Liaison - Comm. Pells - No Report.
- K. Volunteer Recruitment - Comm. Chiumento
 - 1. Wants to have a job description for the Director of Volunteer Recruitment.
 - EMS Director Kloepper stated that he will get with Christine and work on a format to correlate with the ones he is working on now, and will bring back to the Board.
 - 2. One application to be approved.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Philipp to approve Timothy Gilnack, Station 4 for FF/EMT.

 - Motion Carried.
 - 3. A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Philipp not to accept Candice Saint Angel as a member of the Arlington Fire District.
 - Motion Carried.

L. Volunteer Liaison - Comm. Chiumento

1. Croft Corners meeting was postponed, will be holding it tonight and may attend this meeting to discuss manning.

IV. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. Invoice from Ferrari & Sons, indicating that they are donating the labor and material cost to the Fire District.

- The Board requested that a thank you note be sent on behalf of the District.

- B. Received the Minutes, dated January 23, 2001, of the Association of Fire Districts of Dutchess County.

V. **PERSONNEL**

- A. E-Mail received, March 12th, from Captain John Juavinett, Station 4 to remove Ron Jensen from active roles of AFD.

A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to remove Ron Jensen from active roles of AFD.

- Motion Carried.

VI. **DONATIONS**

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Philipp to turn over the total donation amount to the Four Company Fund.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Ruth Bright	Assistance Received
Amy Van Pelt	Assistance Received

TOTAL: \$60.00

- Motion Carried.

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 Jeff Tryon: "Certified First Responder", March 13, 2001 - May 10, 2001 at DCC South.
- B. FF Dan Murray: "Introduction to Fire Officer I", April 2001 at DCBF.
- C. FF Bill Steenbergh: "Public Safety Critical Incident Management", April 3 - 4, 2001 at DC 911.

- D. FF Christine O'Shea: "Hudson Valley Regional Emergency Medical Services Council Educational Conference", April 6 - 7, 2001 at West Point.
- E. FF Michael Rusnock: "EMS Conference", April 6 - 7, 2001 at West Point.
- F. FF Larry Wilson: "Hazardous Materials Incident Command", April 11 - 13, 2001 at Camp Smith.
- G. FF Larry Wilson: "Basic Trench Collapse Concepts", April 26 - 27, 2001 at Camp Smith.
- H. FF Larry Wilson: "Leadership I, II, III Series", May 7 - 11, 2001 at Camp Smith.
- I. Inspector Rose: "International Arson Educational Conference", May 20 - 25, 2001 in Atlantic City.
- J. FF Pete Davis: "Advanced Cause & Origin Determination", August 6 - 10, 2001 in Montour Falls.
- Motion Carried.

VIII.

COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS

- A. Comm. Philipp - No Items.
- B. Comm. Chiumento - Wants to go over District Guideline changes
 - 1. Driving
 - A. Lengthy discussion on driving policy.

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Philipp to approve the Driving (minimum standards) Guideline with the discussed corrections.

- Motion Carried.

- 2. Organizational Statement - adding Assistant EMS Director.

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Philipp to approve the Organizational Statement.

- Motion Carried.

- 3. Driver Training

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Philipp to accept the Driver Training Guideline with the discussed corrections.

- Motion Carried.

4. Thermal Image Camera

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Philipp to accept the Thermal Image Camera Procedure.

- Motion Carried.

5. Procedure - Accountability

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Pells to approve the Procedure (Accountability) change in the Operating Guidelines.

- Motion Carried.

C. Chairman Lahey

1. RE: Station 3's monthly phone bill. Wanted to know if Station 3's phone is available to everyone.

- DC Pells stated yes.

D. Comm. Pells

1. One (1) Item for Executive Session.

E. Comm. Bomba - No Items.

IX.

CHIEFS ITEMS/COMMENTS

A. Chief Tony Alongi

1. One (1) for Executive Session
2. AC Phillips is taking management school through the County. Wants to know if this meets the requirements for his management school.

- Comm. Lahey stated that he wants him to submit a syllabus and the Board will take a look at it.

B. Deputy Chief Jeff Pells

1. Submitted to the Board, a teleconference class, "Fire District Management - Tools of the Trade: Money - How to Raise It, Spend It and Still Stay Out of Trouble" that is coming up. Suggested that they take it.
2. Manning - will discuss in Executive Session.

X.

ITEMS / COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

A. Attorney Gerard Comatos

1. Lutheran Care Center - wanted to know if we received payment yet. DC Pells stated no. Attorney Comatos received a call two weeks ago and was told the payment was being mailed out. He will look into it.
2. Shat Trust - Attorney McGinnis did write up an agreement which DC Pells and himself did not like the wording. DC Pells stated that the Engine Co. #1 was supposed to have a meeting tonight but it was cancelled. Discussion with Jim Deane,

President of Engine Co. #1 regarding the cost of chasseeing vs. rechasing of the ambulance. Comm. Lahey stated that a representative will be at the next Engine Co. #1 meeting, on the 19th to answer any questions they may have.

B. Christine O'Shea

1. Manning - will discuss in Executive Session.

C. Brian Mallet, Station 4

1. Wanted to know if the substation is a permanent decision.

- Comm. Phillip stated that they had to come up with an agreement with Vassar College before they can do anything. The Board stated that no final decisions have been made. They just want a lease written up to compare.

D. Bruce Pells, Town Councilman

1. Wanted to know if we negotiate PILOTS (Payment In Lieu Of Taxes) because the Town is looking at renegotiating the agreements.

- DC Pells stated that ours is good in that it reflects our tax rate. He will represent us when the Town decides to work on it.

A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. Chiumento that we adjourn to Executive Session at 8:42 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

XI. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 10:24 p.m and returned to Open Session.

XII. **ABSTRACT 3A**

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Bomba to approve Abstract 3A in the amount of \$45, 138.13, consisting of 118 transactions.

- Motion Carried.

With no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Pells that we adjourn at 10:25 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee Gaddis
District Secretary