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MINUTES
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MONTHLY MEETING
April 16, 2012

ATTENDEES:

Comm. Richard Dore - Chairman
Comm. Patrick Rose – (arrived at 7:45 p.m.)
Comm. Ralph Chiumento
Comm. Peter Valdez
Comm. Kenneth Muckenhaupt

Chief:	Tory Gallante
District Secretary:	Renee O'Neill
Attorney:	Richard Olson – (absent)
Treasurer:	James Passikoff

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

I. Comm. Dore requested Comm. Valdez and Comm. Muckenhaupt to review Abstract 4B.

II. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOIS MEETING MINUTES**

A. April 2, 2012 Board of Fire Commissioners' Monthly Meeting
A motion was made by Comm. Muckenhaupt and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to approve the Minutes as written.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0

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

A. Service Awards - Comm. Chiumento & Comm. Muckenhaupt

1. Received the March 2012 Monthly Statement from RBC Wealth Management

2. Received Red Oaks Mill Fire Company Service Award stats for 2011

B. District Inspections - Comm. Valdez & Comm. Dore
C. District Officers / Chief Liaison – Comm. Dore & Comm. Rose
D. EMS & Paramedic Liaison - Comm. Muckenhaupt & Comm. Valdez
E. Public Relations - Comm. Chiumento & Comm. Dore
F. Equipment Maintenance – Comm. Dore & Comm. Rose
G. Buildings and Grounds – Comm. Valdez & Comm. Dore
H. Capital Equipment - Comm. Chiumento & Comm. Dore
I. Union Negotiations & Contract - Comm. Chiumento & Comm. Muckenhaupt
J. Career Staff Liaison - Comm. Rose & Comm. Dore

K. Volunteer Recruitment - Comm. Valdez & Comm. Muckenhaupt
1. New applicants ready for Board approval:
A. Ogabi Sulaimom, Company 3, FF
B. Anthony Galioto, Company 5, FF

A motion was made by Comm. Valdez and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to approve the applicants.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0

L. Volunteer Liaison - Comm. Valdez & Comm. Muckenhaupt
M. District Safety & Health - Comm. Dore & Comm. Rose
N. Strategic Plan - Comm. Dore & Comm. Valdez

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Thank you card received from Clara Buckley thanking AFD for the assistance received.

B. E-mail dated April 9, 2012 from President Steve Schwartz of Red Oaks Mill Fire Company requesting to be put on the agenda to discuss the back property at Station 3.
Tabled for discussion in Executive Session - contractual negotiations

C. E-mail dated April 10, 2012 from Roberto Sanchez of Croft Corners Fire Company resigning as a volunteer due to personal reasons.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Valdez to drop Roberto Sanchez from the roles.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0

D. E-mail dated April 10, 2012 from Vassar College requesting an ambulance for their commencement on Sunday, May 20th from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM.

A motion was made by Comm. Valdez and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to approve an ambulance for their commencement on Sunday,

May 20th from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM, with Vassar College paying for the costs, at no cost to the District.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0

V. **SCHOOL REQUESTS**

The following members have been approved by Chief Gallante to attend the courses listed below. The training requested is either located in county or is a course to maintain certification and therefore is for Commissioners notification purposes only:

A. Larry Wilson (replacing Andy Mihans): Fire Sprinkler Systems Workshop", April 11 – 12, 2012 at IBM Poughkeepsie.

B. Larry Wilson (replacing Andy Mihans): Fire Alarm Systems Workshop", April 9 – 10, 2012 at IBM Poughkeepsie.

C. "Short Handed Firefighting", May 17, 2012 at Millbrook High School.
   1. Jeff Pells
   2. Howard Adams
   3. Larry Wilson
   4. Tory Gallante

D. Greg Galvin: "Fire Sprinkler Systems", April 11 – 12, 2012 at IBM.

E. "Fire Police", April 23 – May 5, 2012 at DC 911.
   1. Thomas Park
   2. Gail Greenstein

F. Joe Palestro: "Confined Space Rescue", May 7 – 10, 2012 at IBM Poughkeepsie.

The following school requests require Board of Fire Commissioners approval:

A. Victor Zamaloff: "Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Seminar", May 21 – 23, 2012 at Montour Falls.

B. Victor Zamaloff: "International Association of Arson Investigators – Annual Training Conference", April 22 – 27, 2012 in Delaware.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Valdez to approve school requests A & B

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0

VI. **COMMISSIONERS ITEMS** - *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

A. Tabled from last meeting: Approval for the following two car seat check events: FF Quinby requesting 8 techs at each

1. Hampshire Self Storage (Community Yard Sale & Safety Day) – June 9th, from 10 AM to 1 PM on South Road

2. Arlington Teachers' Association (1st Annual Bicycle Safety Day) – May 12th, 9 AM to 11:30 AM at Arlington Middle School

Discussion. Comm. Chiumento would like a report submitted to the Board of how many seats were installed at each event, what members attended each event, what agencies assisted, etc.

Comm. Rose arrived at 7:45 p.m.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumneto and seconded by Comm. Valdez to not participate in the Arlington Teachers Association and continue to do Hampshire Self Storage with four techs, and include a report of criteria to be submitted after each event within 30 days.

- Motion Carried 4 -0-1 (Comm. Rose abstained, due to not being involved in the discussion)

B. Approval of updated "Investment Policy"

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Muckenhaupt to approve the updated "Investment Policy".

- Motion Carried, 5 - 0

VII. **DISTRICT STAFF ITEMS** - *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

A. Chief - Tory Gallante

1. Requesting to drop the below members due to lack of OSHA requirements:
   - A. John Christopherson
   - B. Noel Dillon
   - C. Ali Jamil
   - D. Tyler Kowalski
   - E. Raied Nesheiwat
   - F. Sam North

A motion was made by Comm. Muckenhaupt and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to drop the aforementioned due to lack of OSHA requirements.

- Motion Carried, 5 – 0

2. Four (4) Items for Executive Session – Employment history of particular persons.

B. Assistant Chiefs

1. 1st Assistant Chief - John Richardson – (absent)

2. 2nd Assistant Chief - Eric Philipp

A. Requesting approval for the following 2012 parades

PARADE LOCATION	DATE	DAY	LINE UP	STEP OFF	BAND	STATION	Rig
Milbrook	7/14/2012	Saturday	1630	1800	New Fairfield	3	3215
Dover	7/21/2012	Saturday	1600	1700	New Fairfield	1	3215
Pawling	8/3/2012	Friday	TBA	TBA	New Fairfield	4	3215
Hopewell Hose (County Convention)	8/10/2012	Friday	1700	1900	TBA	5	3215
Pleasant Valley	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	no band	4	3214

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Valdez to approve the 2012 parades.

- Motion Carried, 5 -0

C. EMS

1. Director of EMS - John Kloepfer

A. Antonio Peixoto of Croft Corners requesting to be put on medical leave, not AFD related, effective April 16th.

2. Assistant Director of EMS - David Violante – (absent)

D. Attorney - Richard Olson- (absent)

E. Treasurer - James Passikoff

1. The Board acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's March 2012 Monthly Financial Report for the District.

VIII. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** *No action(s) taken by the Board, unless otherwise noted.*

IX. **COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD** *No action(s) taken by the Board, unless otherwise noted*

With no further open business to discuss, a motion was made by Comm. Valdez and seconded by Comm. Muckenhaupt to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:58 p.m.

- Motion Carried, 5 - 0

X. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 9:01 p.m. and returned to Open Session.

XI. **OPEN ITEMS**

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Valdez to approve the agreements with the District Secretary, the Bookkeeper and the Typist.

- Motion Carried, 5 - 0

Comm. Rose was not present for the turnout gear presentation but wanted it noted that he supports the clip vs the zipper as it would be a money saver and less wear and tear. Also in favor to change the career Lieutenants helmets to black with a white shield.

Comm. Rose stated that he was not at the meeting during the approval of the school requests but concerned about school request "B" from Victor Zamaloff. There are other State classes FF Zamaloff can attend. Mostly concerned with the OT costs associated with the 48 hours of District time.

A motion was made by Comm. Rose and seconded by Comm. Valdez to rescind the approval of school request "B".

- Motion Carried, 5 - 0

XII. **ABSTRACT APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Comm. Muckenhaupt and seconded by Comm. Valdez to approve Abstract 4B in the amount of $40,566.88, consisting of 49 transactions.

- Motion Carried, 5 - 0

With no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Comm. Valdez and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to adjourn the meeting, at 9:06 p.m.

- Motion Carried, 5 - 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee O'Neill
District Secretary