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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' WORKSHOP MEETING May 24, 2000

ATTENDEES: Comm. John Richardson, Chairman
 Comm. Ralph Chiumento
 Comm. Gerard Philipp
 Comm. Paul Lahey
 Comm. Karen Pells

Attorney: Gerard Comatos (arrived at 8:50 p.m.)
Treasurer: James Passikoff
Secretary: Renee Gaddis

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

I. Comm. Richardson requested Comm. Pells and Comm. Chiumento to review Abstract 5B.

II. **MINUTES**

- A. May 9, 2000 Board of Fire Commissioners' Monthly 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. Fire District Affairs - April 2000

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- B. Memo dated May 17, 2000 from Chief Phillips to All District Personnel regarding Triple Load.
- C. Memo dated May 17, 2000 from Chief Phillips to Company Officers regarding District and Company Tones.
- D. Memo dated May 17, 2000 from Chief Phillips to All Company Officers regarding Training Center Recertification.

V. **PERSONNEL**

- A. Change of Status Request received 05-24-00 from David Roberts, Jr., Station 3, Add EMS.
- B. Change of Status Request received 05-17-00 from Albert Schoessow, Station 4, Add EMS.

VI. **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. Assistant Mechanic Steven Bowdler: "E.V.T. Test Amb, E-2 & E-3", June 3, 2000 in Albany, NY.
- B. FF/Mechanic Joe Tarquinio: "E.V.T. Test Amb, E-1 & E-4", June 3, 2000 in Albany, NY.
- C. Lt. Dave Walsh: "Firefighter Rescue Program", June 8 -9, 2000 in Syracuse, NY.
- Motion Carried.

VIII. **COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS**

- A. Chairman Richardson
 - 1. Fly Car Status
 - A. DC Pells stated that can be put in service once Rules guiding it are approved; one car is being worked on.
 - B. Comm. Pells asked if the member rosters the car for the day, do they have to return it to the firehouse the next morning? DC Pells stated that it stays with them as long as they are responding, but if they have to go to work, they have to return it.
 - 2. Refurbishing of the ambulances done yet? DC Pells stated no.
 - 3. Items for Executive Session.
- B. Comm. Lahey

1. One (1) Personnel Item for Executive Session.
- C. Comm. Chiumento - No Items.
- D. Comm. Philipp - No Items.
- E. Comm. Pells - No Items.

IX.

CHIEFS ITEMS/COMMENTS

A. Chief Bill Phillips

1. Silent Running Policy

- A. In the proposed policy, the Board has problems with “gas in a structure” under AFA’s. Also, under AFA’s, first engine would respond code 3, not code 1. The Board previously had a discussion regarding having first two engines respond code 3, manpower, etc. Comm. Richardson has a problem with first in, first out. Comm. Chiumento doesn’t agree with drivers coming to a complete stop. Discussion on drivers coming to complete stops with Code 3. Wants all drivers to follow the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Laws as related to emergency driving.

A motion was made by Comm. Richardson and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to accept the Silent Running Proposal as outlined with the changes from by Comm. Chiumento up to and including everything to the point of definitions.

- Motion Carried.

2. Tones

- A. Memo went out on District and Company tones. Has spoken with Pat Calamari. Comm. Richardson stated that the County is having a meeting regarding dispatching. DC Pells stated that we’ve had the same Storm Standby procedure for the past eight years. Comm. Richardson has a problem with the cost, liability, and having paid firefighters dispatch and why they haven’t come back stating they are working out of classification. We would be taking over Union’s work in the County. Wants to have it modified. DC Pells stated that we would not be as efficient as we are during storms.

3. Received Rules and Regulations regarding company chief officers qualifications, will table until next Board meeting

because he just received it and needs to review it.

4. One (1) item for Executive Session.

B. Deputy Chief Pells

1. SOP Modifications - submitted packet of changes to the Board.
2. Received modified (substation) Plans - along with electrical salvage contract for estimates of removal of 730 building, waiting for mechanical salvage contract.

A. Comm. Richardson stated that he wants a letter sent to Red Oaks Mill stating that the Board is not ready to respond to their memo regarding substation recommendations. Still getting prices and information together.

3. One (1) Personnel Item for Executive Session.

X. **ITEMS / COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

A. Treasurer Jim Passikoff

1. March 2000 Financial Report submitted.

B. EMS Director John Kloepfer - No Items.

C. Chip Grundon, Local 2393 President

1. EMT Fly Car issue - will there be a schedule of who has the fly car? DC Pells stated that the company is in control and you will know by who calls out responding .

A motion was made by Comm. Pells 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 9:06 p.m and returned to Open Session.

XII. **DAVE ROGERS** - Representative from PaineWebber

- A. Stated that its been a tough year. Returns have been impacted largely because the Feds have been raising rates, it negatively impacts the price of bonds. Rates are good today, CD's are in the 7% -8% range. Submitted to the Board a copy of our liability schedule, with the latest CD rates. Explained our statement. Most concerned with Asset Summary. We own three stock funds, which equal \$257, 000.00. Stocks Funds are \$257, 000.00 which are exactly 25% of our portfolio. Corporate Bond funds, which are \$322, 000.00, 32% of our portfolio. Guaranteed investments, which include CD's, money market, 43%, \$450, 000.00 or \$500,000.00. We are fine on stock side. A little overweighted on Corporate Bond side. Discussed putting more

into Stocks, less into Corporate Bonds.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Philipp to make this years contribution to the Service Awards Trust Fund be allocated as follows: \$ 18,487.11 - to Money Market, \$ 90, 000.00 - to a seven (7) year CD, and direct Paine Webber to take the investm ent we have in Sun Americ a Dogs of the DOW, and add it to the Sun Americ a Growth and Income .

- Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Comm. Richardson and seconded by Comm. Chiumento that we adjourn back into Executive Session at 9:35 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

XIII. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 9:50 p.m and returned to Open Session.

XIV. **ABSTRACT 5B**

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A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Pells to approve Abstract 5B in the amount of \$80, 000.07, consisting of 111 transactions, without the authorization of the payment to Ferrari & Sons of \$16, 993.94. Also to cut a check to PaineWebber for \$108, 487.11 to go to the Arlington Fire District Service Award Fund.

- Motion Carried.

XV.

OPEN ITEMS

A motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Philipp to raise Renee Gaddis' hourly salary to \$11.05, to raise her hours to 40 hours per week and to pay for her full MVP health plan.

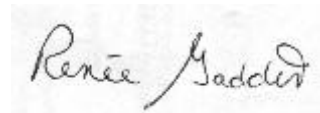
- Motion Carried.

With no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Philipp that we adjourn at 9:52 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee Gaddis
District Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Renee Gaddis". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.