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## Arlington Fire District

11 Burnett Boulevard  
Poughkeepsie, New York 12603

### **BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' MONTHLY MEETING June 8, 1999**

#### ATTENDEES:

Comm. Paul Lahey, Chairman  
Comm. Ralph Chimento  
Comm. Gerard Philipp  
Comm. William McCourt  
Comm. John Richardson

Attorney: Gerard Comatos (absent)  
Treasurer: James Passikoff (absent)  
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. Chimento and Comm. McCourt to review Abstract 6A.

#### II. MINUTES

- A. May 26, 1999 Board of Fire Commissioners' Workshop Meeting.  
A motion was made by Comm. McCourt and seconded by Comm. Chimento to approve the Minutes as printed.
- Motion Carried.

III. **MONTHLY REPORTS**

- A. Chief's Report - May 1999
- B. Training Report - May 1999
- C. Inspectors Report - May 1999

IV. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. Response received June 4, 1999 from County Legislator James Hammond regarding volunteer recruitment. Wants specific information, indicated on letter.
  - Comm. McCourt stated he will contact County Legislator James Hammond.
- B. Letter dated June 3, 1999 from DC Schmidt of Fairview Fire District thanking AFD for assistance received at the May 27<sup>th</sup> fire at Dutchess Community College.
- C. June 3, 1999, received Minutes of the April 27, 1999 meeting of the Association of Fire Districts of Dutchess County.
- D. Letter received June 1, 1999 from Poughkeepsie Day School thanking Lt. Snyder and Station 3 for visiting the school.
- E. Thank you card received June 1, 1999 from Dick Dormeyer thanking all for the retirement party.
- F. Thank you card received May 27, 1999 from Andrew Vicitore thanking AFD for the prompt and professional help on May 25, 1999. Wife delivered baby ten minutes after AFD brought her to the hospital.

V. **PERSONNEL**

- A. Memo dated May 27, 1999 from Board of Fire Commissioners to all advising of the scheduled Annual Inspection and picnic.

VI. **DONATIONS**

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Helen Tompkins	Assistance Received For Husband	\$25. 00
Florence Schindler	In Memory of Frank Richardson	\$100. 00

- Motion Carried.

VII. **SCHOOL REQUESTS**

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

- A. FF Lou Cassinelli: "NYS Building Codes 41", June 28 - July 1, 1999 at Arlington Station #3.
- B. FF Jim Lieberman: "NYS Building Codes 41", June 28 - July 1, 1999 at Arlington Station #3.
- C. FF Pete Davis: "Intermediate Rope Rescue", July 22 - 25, 1999 at Camp Smith.
- D. FF Bill Steenbergh: "Fire-Rescue International, IAFC", August 28 - 31, 1999 in Kansas City.

- Motion Carried.

DC Pells stated that FF Steenbergh's request was for time off only.

VIII. **COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS**

- A. Chairman Lahey - No Items
- B. Comm. McCourt
  - 1. Legal ad - Bid for steel work for the addition at Headquarters in Poughkeepsie Journal by June 10<sup>th</sup>, within 2-3 weeks the Legal Ad for the addition at Station 3 will be published.
- C. Comm. Richardson - No Items.
- D. Comm. Chiumento
  - 1. Wanted to know if we contacted Joel Miller, i.e. meeting
    - DC Pells stated that there is a bill set forth which is what we are looking for, this is not a new law, it's an amendment to the law. (Re: third party billing)
- E. Comm. Philipp - No Items.

IX. **CHIEFS ITEMS/COMMENTS**

- A. Chief John Hellmann
  - 1. Requested at next workshop meeting if they can present group of awards, plaques and pins for the saved life at Spackenkill.

2. DC Pells and himself met with Chief Renihan regarding future growth of New Hamburg.

B. Deputy Chief Pells

1. Blue Shield of Northeastern requesting rate increase, July 1<sup>st</sup> effective date.
2. Received bill from Overhead Doors for the eyes installment at Rochdale. Stated that District agreed to pay for half.

A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. McCourt to pay the \$1475.00 reimbursement share to Rochdale.

- Motion Carried.

DC Pells stated that he will find out if payment is to be for Rochdale or directly to Overhead Doors.

3. Rules and Regulations status

Comm. Chiumento stated that he started to look at it, Comm Richardson wanted to know if it was reviewed with Union. Comm. Lahey wants Union's input and will discuss at next meeting.

4. Lease agreement for Rochdale redone.

Comm. Chiumento wanted to know if it was looked over by Attorney Comatos. DC Pells stated yes and that he worked on last one, this is duplicate with changes in appropriate areas.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. McCourt to approve the lease agreement for Rochdale.

- Motion Carried.

5. Needs number of Medics allowed for school, five interested, have gone through orientation.

Discussion amongst Board and DC Pells regarding the course schedule timing, overtime, and amount of people.

- Comm. Lahey stated that he still wants range from minimum of three but

maximum of five. Says he would hate to leave a qualified person out of going.  
Wants proof of overtime and costs.

- DC Pells stated that people may even get locked out of applying.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Philipp to allow up to four to paramedic school.

The vote is as follows:

Comm. Lahey: "Aye"  
Comm. Philipp: "Aye"  
Comm. Richardson: "Abstained"  
Comm. McCourt: "Aye"  
Comm. Chiumento: "Aye"

- Motion Carried.

Comm Richardson stated that he's not against the amount, but would think that five would be better. Comm. Lahey stated that we can revisit this situation. DC Pells stated that he has a tentative agreement with the Union, regarding adjusting schedules.

6. One (1) personnel item for Executive Session.

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

A. EMS Director John Kloepfer - No Items.

B. Director of Volunteer Recruitment Larry Rosen

1. Received four (4) applications from companies, are in process, of which one (1) interview scheduled for next meeting

C. Bill Deane - No Items.

A motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Philipp that we adjourn to Executive Session at 8:10 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

## **XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 9:02 p.m and returned to Open Session.

XII. **DISTRICT SECRETARY SALARY**

A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. McCourt to increase District Secretary Renee Gaddis' salary \$1, 000.00 a year effective June 10, 1999.

- Motion Carried.

XIII. **ABSTRACT 6A**

A motion was made by Comm. Richardson and seconded by Comm. McCourt to approve Abstract 6A in the amount of \$48, 175.67, consisting of 152 transactions charged to 39 accounts.

- Motion Carried.

XIV. **DEPUTY CHIEF SALARY**

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Philipp to raise the Deputy Chief's salary to \$70K a year effective June 17, 1999.

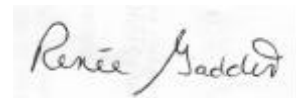
- Motion Carried.

DC Pells thanked the Board for a great year, worked well together and for the support. The Board of Fire Commissioners thanked DC Pells as well.

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

- Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Renee Gaddis", followed by a vertical line.

Renee Gaddis  
District Secretary