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Arlington Fire District

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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' MONTHLY MEETING June 13, 2000

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

Attorney: Gerard Comatos (absent)
Treasurer: James Passikoff
Secretary: Renee Gaddis

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

I. Comm. Richardson requested Comm. Chiumento and Comm. Pells to review Abstract 6A.

II. MINUTES

- A. May 24, 2000 Board of Fire Commissioners' Workshop Meeting.
A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Lahey to approve the Minutes as printed.
- Motion Carried.

MONTHLY REPORTS

- IV.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Motion Carried.

- Approved - Board of Fire Commissioners Workshop Meeting Minutes - June 13, 2000

Comm. Richardson read letter. DC Pells stated that it is for Districts who have 50% or greater tax exempt evaluations.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Pells to support Senate Bill No. SO-3558 and Assembly Bill No. AO-6176.

- Motion Carried.

C. Letter dated May 5, 2000 from Deputy Chief Walter Robinson, Office of Fire Prevention & Control, Montour Falls, inviting Fire Department Officials to the June 28, 2000 graduation at 1:30 p.m.

D. Letter dated May 31, 2000 from Deputy Chief Walter Robinson, Office of Fire Prevention & Control, Montour Falls, inviting Fire Department Officials to the July 26, 2000 graduation at 1:30 p.m.

- Comm. Richardson stated that if anyone is interested on the District level to contact Chief Phillips due to DC Pells on vacation those dates.

V.

PERSONNEL

A. Letter dated June 12, 2000 from Debbie Miliambro to the Board of Fire Commissioners submitting her resignation effective June 23, 2000.

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to accept Debbie's resignation with regret.

- Motion Carried.

B. Letter dated June 8, 2000 from Linda Yarema, Station 5 to drop the following members from active roles of AFD:

1. Sharyl Lewis
2. Christopher Roe - Military Leave (dropped by district per computer on 03-16-00)

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Pells to remove the aforementioned members from active roles of the Arlington Fire District.

- Motion Carried.

Need District approval for :

1. Mark Pizzarello

Comm. Richardson stated he was informed that Mark Pizzarello is not ready to be approved by the District.

VI. **DONATIONS**

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REASON</u>	
Evelyn Goebler	Assistance Received For Husband	\$50. 00

TOTAL: \$50. 00

- Motion Carried.

VII. **SCHOOL REQUESTS**

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

A. Lt. Rick Anderson: "Instructor's Conference", July 31, 2000 - August 3, 2000 in Montour Falls.

- Motion Carried.

VIII. **COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS**

A. Chairman Richardson - No Items.

B. Comm. Lahey

1. One (1) Personnel Item for Executive Session

C. Comm. Chiumento

1. Questioned status of a bill that was going in front of County Legislature regarding tax credit.

FF Steenbergh stated that it is expected to pass.
Anticipated Countywide average savings per
homeowner is \$14.00.

D. Comm. Pells

1. One (1) legal Item for Executive Session.

IX. **CHIEFS ITEMS/COMMENTS**

A. Chief Bill Phillips

1. Dutchess County 911 letter regarding storm standby.
Response received from Pat Calamari. Chief and DC Pells had meeting with Ray Nichols. Chief Phillips stated that the County will be dispatching all calls due to liability and Arlington will

- dispatch storm standby calls for wires down, floods, etc.
2. Rules and Regulations recommendations for company officers - will present after next Chief's meeting.
 3. Discussed Company Tones and District Tones and wanting County to change the way they dispatch the tones.
- B. Deputy Chief Pells
1. Lutheran Care Center - payment in lieu of taxes, approximately \$35, 000.00. Voucher submitted to the Town of Poughkeepsie. Should receive payment in a few days.
 2. Board needs to look into hires for fall class. Should start now.
 3. Operating Guideline changes, submitted at last meeting.
 - Board discussed amendments and added some.
 - Comm. Richardson wanted to know why we can't reset alarms. DC Pells stated that it was at the attorney's recommendation. We would be liable if anything happened.
- A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Lahey to accept the Operating Guidelines as corrected and amended.
- Motion Carried.
4. Two (2) Personnel Items for Executive Session.

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

- A. Treasurer Jim Passikoff
1. Submitted Financial Report for May 2000.
- B. EMS Director John Kloepfer
1. Wanted to know if new members should be attending orientation prior to Board approval.
 - Comm. Richardson stated yes. It is just a sit down meeting with video. DC Pells stated that some people go to the orientation and then decide to withdraw their application due to the amount of work involved.
 2. Suggested that we get copies of drivers license and social security number after Board approves them but prior to his letter of approval for completion of orientation goes out.
- C. Director of Volunteer Recruitment Christine O'Shea
1. Went through old files and found two members that need to be dropped due to not attending orientation or physicals.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Pells to drop Sagar Kothari and

Michael Muise from active roles of the Arlington Fire District.

- Motion Carried.

2. Application for approval:

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Pells to approve Robert Leonard, Jr, Station 4, firefighter, subject to a completed background check.

- Motion Carried.

3. Questionnaire went out, only received six back.

4. Still does not have computer access don't have any clearance to do data entry.

- Comm. Richardson suggested that she sets up a recruitment table at the Croft Corners carnival. Christine said she will see what she can do.

D. Chip Grundon, Local 2393 President

1. Wanted to commend everyone, especially FF Bill Horton for working with Rockland County for the rescue/recovery effort at Red Oaks Mill Waterfalls.

E. Carl Davidson, Station 5

1. Wants generator spec expedited. DC Pells stated he will work on it.

A motion was made by Comm. Pells and seconded by Comm. Chiumento that we adjourn to Executive Session at 8:40 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

XI. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 10:23 p.m and returned to Open Session.

XII. **ABSTRACT 6A**

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Pells to approve Abstract 6A in the amount of \$ 116, 982.92.

- Motion Carried.

XIII. **DEPUTY CHIEF CONTRACT**

A motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to approve Deputy Chief Pells' contract as written for June 15, 2000 for a period of one year.

Poll of the Board:

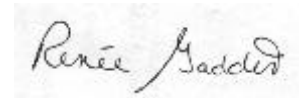
Comm. Lahey - "Aye"
Comm. Richardson - "Aye"
Comm. Chiumento - "Aye"
Comm. Pells - "Abstained"

- Motion Carried.

DC Pells thanked the Board.

With no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Pells that we adjourn at 10:27 p.m.

- Motion Carried.



Resp

ectfully Submitted,

Renee Gaddis
District Secretary