# **Board of Fire Commissioners**

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The September 28, 2022 Greenfield Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners meeting was called to order at the District Office by Commissioner Michael Chandler at 7:02 PM. The flag salute and a moment of silence were recognized for departed members.

**Present were**: Commissioners Chandler, Dussault, Hays, Russo; D/A-Treasurer Petkus. Excused: Commissioner Ramsey, D/P Olson. See sign in sheet for others in attendance.

RESOLUTION #198 APPROVING SEPTEMBER 14, 2022 COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES AND THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2022 BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

MOTION: Chandler SECOND: Dussault

RESOLVED to approve the September 14, 2022 Commissioner Meeting Minutes and the

September 21, 2022 Budget Workshop Minutes as written.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

## **Commissioner Chandler asked for questions/comments regarding the abstract:**

RESOLUTION #199 APPROVING PAYMENT OF ABSTRACT #18 DATED SEPTEMBER 28, 2022 FROM THE GENERAL FUND, VOUCHER #220433 THROUGH VOUCHER #220453, TOTALING \$38,205.48.

MOTION: Chandler SECOND: Dussault

RESOLVED to approve payment of Abstract #18 dated September 28, 2022 from the General

Fund, Voucher #220433 through Voucher #220453, totaling \$38,205.48.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

#### Reports of the Staff:

- **District Administrator**: Joyce Petkus
  - o Confirmed that the Board would be leaving the physicals as is, including PFT testing.
  - o Flu Shots are available beginning October 3<sup>rd</sup>; flyers are posted in the firehouses.
  - o Concert for Heroes, 11/5 at Saratoga Springs High School. Brief discussion.
  - Deactivated 49 access cards/fobs that have not been used in the past three years. This
     excluded firefighters, life-members and auxiliary members. Brief discussion continued.
  - Annual cancer coverage forms are coming due; left the Chief a list so he can determine interior/exterior firefighters.

- Updated physical/fit test report and placed in company baskets; a firefighter had come in the other day and was fit tested but that person is classified as a B2. Brief discussion continued.
- Asked Board to think about consolidating the Annual Commissioner election from the four firehouses to the district office.
- Purchasing: report given by Joyce
  - o Co #3 generator repair started. Brief discussion continued; updated quote to be signed.
  - Co #3 4-gas meter failed three more time; a new one was purchased and is in service, and a protective rubber concussion boot has been ordered.
  - Teledyne FLIR boots for the K1 cameras are no longer available; Doug is searching for after-market brand. Brief discussion continued.
  - Fire prevention supplies were received and delivered to Co #1.
  - Fire extinguisher testing starts 10/6 at the district office.
  - Dival will begin air pack testing on 10/3 at Co #1. Bottles needing hydro testing will be pulled and sent for testing, and bottles out of hydro will be pulled. Packs/bottles in Chiefs' vehicles and POV's should be left at their respective stations for testing. Brief discussion continued.
  - Frank Ryan & Son continue to work on the epoxy repair and painting, and Co #1 paint color has been corrected.
  - Surplus gear and fans were picked up by AMEDICAUSA.
  - o Inventory will be ongoing until complete.
- <u>Treasurer</u>: Joyce Petkus
  - 2023 Proposed Budget has been approved, posted and sent to the Town Clerks of Greenfield and Wilton.

## Membership/Changes in Membership:

- New members:
  - o Co #1 new member Brian Gorman; his appointments have already been scheduled.
- Changes in Membership:
  - Co #3: Danielle Cumm, requested life-inactive;
  - Co #4: Caitlyn LaPage, moved out of district.

# RESOLUTION #200 GIVING THE CHAIRMAN PERMISSION TO SIGN OFF ON ABOVE NEW MEMBER AND CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP.

MOTION: Dussault SECOND: Hays

RESOLVED to give the Chairman permission to sign off on above new member and changes

in membership.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

## Report of the Chief - Jon Davis

Not present this evening.

## Reports from Companies:

#### Company #1:

No one present this evening.

#### Company #2: Captain W. Chandler

 Lengthy discussion regarding damages to the rescue trailer, chain of command, periodically taking pictures of apparatus and putting them in Halligan, conducting annual inspections including annual pictures.  Questioned the status of their gas meters; Larry noted that Doug called earlier in the day and there was no answer. Captain Chandler requested an emergency purchase of another meter. Brief discussion continued.

#### Company #3: D/C Petkus

- Questioned the outcome of the electric bill; it was noted that Co #3 is on demand service, as well as an increase in the delivery charges. Discussion continued.
- Suggested the Commissioners conduct and annual asset inspection. Brief discussion continued.
- Requested that a repair order be included in the vehicles when work is completed. Brief discussion continued.

#### Company #4:

No one present this evening.

## Report of District EMS Coordinator - Christian Alvord

Not present this evening.

## Report of the Training Committee: W. Chandler

Nothing at this time.

# Report of the Explorer Program: W. Chandler

All good.

#### **Reports of the Commissioners:**

- Dussault
  - Nothing at this time.
- Hays
  - Thanks to Doug and Connor for their work in Halligan.
  - Waiting for the Chief to get him a copy of the updated district map; wants to make sure the boundaries are marked and Connor has requested to also mark the hydrants.
  - Received the application for the DEC grant, deadline is November 15<sup>th</sup>. Brief discussion; to be brought to the officers meeting for discussion and what wildland gear they need. D/C Petkus will speak to the Chief.
- Ramsey
  - Not present this evening.
- Russo
  - o Feels that part of the issue with Co #2 trailer is due to a lack of communication.
- Chandler
  - Nothing at this time.

# Reports of the Town Board/Town Planning Board Liaisons:

- Town of Greenfield: Russo
  - Nothing at this time.
- Town of Wilton: Scott Dussault
  - Did not attend September meeting.

#### **District Policy Review:**

• Election Policy: No changes made.

Joyce questioned if the Board would consider holding the Commissioner elections at the district office. Brief discussion; to be held in the four firehouses this year.

## **Special Topics of Discussion**:

None.

# RESOLUTION #201 DISPENSING WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES.

MOTION: Chandler SECOND: Dussault

RESOLVED to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Chandler with a second from Commissioner Russo to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 PM. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce A. Petkus

District Administrator/Treasurer