

Board of Fire Commissioners
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The March 22, 2023 Commissioners Meeting of the Greenfield Fire District was called to order at the District Office by Chairman Michael Chandler at 7:04 PM.

Flag salute and a moment of silence were recognized for departed members.

Present were: Commissioners Chandler, Ellsworth, Russo; D/A-Treasurer Petkus, D/P Olson. Excused: Commissioners Hays and Ramsey. Please see sign in sheet for others in attendance.

RESOLUTION #96 APPROVING THE MARCH 8, 2023 COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED to approve the March 8, 2023 Commissioner meeting minutes as written.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Chandler asked for questions/comments regarding the abstract:

RESOLUTION #97 APPROVING PAYMENT OF ABSTRACT #6 DATED MARCH 22, 2023 FROM THE GENERAL FUND, VOUCHER #230117 THROUGH VOUCHER #230136, TOTALING \$47,054.71.

A3410.1	\$ 6,023.88
A3410.2	\$ 32.64
A3410.4	\$40,449.14
A9000.8	\$ 549.05

Total: \$ 47,054.71

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED to approve payment of Abstract #6 General Fund, Voucher #230117 through Voucher #230136, totaling \$47,054.71.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Reports of the Staff:

- **District Administrator:** Joyce Petkus
 - AFDSNY annual meeting, conference and election is being held May 18-20th at the Turning Stone.
 - Still waiting to hear back from Co #4 in reference to the cable issue. Will resend email.
 - Memorandum for the use of 261 has been received; 30 days is almost up. Discussion continued. Joyce to contact Mayor's office.
 - Annual physicals to be completed between March 1st and May 31st; only ten have been completed so far. Brief discussion.

- Working on records clean up. Brief discussion.
- Station Keeper resumes were due by the 17th. Discussion continued. Joyce to contact Dave Meager to see if he can come in at 6 pm for the insurance review meeting, with candidate interviews beginning at 7 pm.
- **Purchasing Agent:** Douglas Olson
 - Exterior gear has been delivered.
 - 292 back up light was unplugged, relay issue as well.
 - Co #1 electrical upgrade was completed.
 - Co #1 water tank replaced by Toby.
 - D/O burners replaced by Toby.
 - Fit test machine is back from annual cleaning/service.
 - Plymovent has been serviced. Brief discussion.
 - Co #2 should have an ice diverter installed on the roof.
 - Chiefs' office TV has been installed and is working.
 - Reminder of June hose testing.
 - Lawn RFP sent out; no submittals received as of today.
 - Truck PM's started.
 - Wilton Floor adjusted Co #3 floor covering quotes. Lengthy discussion continued.
 - There is an issue with gas meter calibration machine; will be bringing it to National Trench Safety for service.
 - Co #2 hydrogen cyanide meter should be here mid-April; the other meter ordered will be here in about 6-8 weeks.
 - Still working on security system quotes.
 - Center for Security has replaced all the batteries in the firehouses.
 - Co #3 Spring generator service completed.
 - Co #2 light that came off the building still needs to be re-installed.
 - RIT pack part still on back order.
 - Orkin's last service will be April 4th and then Attention Pest Services will be taking over.
 - The Chief approved the request from Co #1 for a Weather Guard tool box for 262. Cost is \$1,071.43. Brief discussion.

Discussion continued regarding Co #3 flooring and Co #1 tool box.

RESOLUTION #98 ACCEPTING QUOTE RECEIVED FROM WILTON FLOORING IN REFERENCE TO CO #3 FLOORS, AND GIVING THE TREASURER PERMISSION TO PAY 50% DEPOSIT.

MOTION: Ellsworth

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED to accept quote received from Wilton Flooring in reference to Co #3 floors, and give the Treasurer permission to pay 50% deposit.

All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTION #99 APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF THE TOOL BOX FOR CO #1. MONEY TO COME OUT OF OPERATIONS.

MOTION: Russo

SECOND: Chandler

RESOLVED to approve the purchase of the tool box for Co #1. Money to come out of Operations.

All in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Chandler confirmed that the additional AED's have also been ordered.

- **Treasurer:** Joyce Petkus
 - Will have everything set up regarding the Verizon cell tower lease.

Firefighter/Auxiliary/Explorer Membership: Joyce Petkus

- Firefighter New Members and Changes in Membership:
 - Co #3 new member: Robert Crumb, under 18 and Class A for training purposes only. He is also an Explorer.

RESOLUTION #100 GIVING THE CHAIRMAN PERMISSION TO SIGN OFF ON THE ABOVE NEW MEMBER.

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Ellsworth

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

All in favor, motion carried.

Report of the Chief – Jon Davis:

- Not present this evening.
- Commissioner Chandler noted that 281 is done, and 282 is there now; it has 4-5 valves that need replacing, a bad front tire that needs replacing, repairs to an overheating generator, and grease fittings for the Onspots, as well as pump heater repairs. Brief discussion.

Reports from Companies:

Company #1: D/C Coffey

- Not sure what happened to the Plymovent regulator; Douglas explained that if there is something wrong with the Plymovent system in any of the firehouses, please let him know and he will call Plymovent for the repair. Brief discussion continued.
- A/C Marshall noted that the State is sending him out to Montour Falls this Saturday for his Instructor Authorization as well as several other certifications; he is requesting permission to take 260, and he will pay for fuel and tolls. Brief discussion continued.

RESOLUTION #101 GIVING A/C MARSHALL PERMISSION TO TAKE 260 TO MONTOUR FALLS FIRE ACADEMY.

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Ellsworth

RESOLVED to give A/C Marshall permission to take 260 to Montour Falls Fire Academy.

All in favor, motion carried.

Company #2: A/C Chandler

- Thanks to everyone involved getting 271, 272 and 275 fixed; 271 lights will be done soon and the inverter should be done next week.
- Has not talked to the company about the apron for the shed yet.
- Commissioner Ellsworth questioned who used the training building recently; last night Co #3 used it last night and the inside was a disaster. Lengthy discussion continued.

Company #3: A/C Thurman

- Was not able to upload Zoom on the new laptop. Brief discussion continued.
- Reminder that Breakfast with the Easter Bunny is this Sunday, 8 am – 11 am.
- D/C Petkus reminded the Commissioners about the packets he left in reference to the recent training he attended.

- D/C Petkus requested permission allowing Wilton EMS to borrow the manlift to fix some lights at their Schuylerville station. Captain King has a trailer to transport it, and afterwards it will be delivered to Co #4 so Douglas can complete the work at Co #4; Douglas also noted he needs it at Co #3. Brief discussion.

RESOLUTION #102 GIVING WILTON EMS PERMISSION TO USE THE MANLIFT AS DISCUSSED AFTER HOLD HARMLESS IS RECEIVED FROM THEM.

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED to give Wilton EMS permission to use the manlift as discussed after Hold Harmless is received from them.

All in favor, motion carried.

Company #4: Cpt. N. King

- 292 is back from painting; Frank & Sons did an excellent job.
- Co #4 is reorganizing 292, and they would like to eliminate the top walkway and add more 5" hose. They will need a new net. Brief discussion.
- They are still having phone issues at Co #4. Lengthy discussion continued.

Report of the Training Committee: A/C Marshall

- There is a meeting this Saturday.

Report of the Explorer Program: A/C W. Chandler

- Filled out information for the FASNY Youth Program being held at the FASNY Museum. Brief discussion.

Reports of the Commissioners:

- Ellsworth
 - Requested 2 flags be ordered for the back of the truck. Brief discussion.
 - Questioned the inventory of cemetery flags, as well as grave markers. Discussion continued; Doug to research.
 - Questioned the status of the security system quotes; Douglas noted he is waiting on one more quote.
 - Asked that when gassing up the trucks to please put the correct mileage in and not override it. One of the Commissioners is now tracking it and the information needs to be accurate. Brief discussion continued.
 - Questioned the status of the cell tower installation at Co #4. Commissioner Chandler noted they need to add another power pole. Discussion continued.
 - Went over to Co #4 to look at their truck bay floor, possibly replacing the back bay floor. Captain N. King questioned tapping in to the new water line at the same time. Lengthy discussion continued.
 - Spoke to both Captain Z. King and Lt. Kreuger last week about the mismatched lettering on 291; would like to get a price from AJ Signs. Would also like to get a price from Frank's in reference to painting the cab top white. Discussion continued.
 - Questioned the status of the fire police radios; Douglas noted there is one radio but he just has not had time to get to it.
 - Questioned the status of Co #1 radio room insulation. Commissioner Chandler noted he got a quote of \$10,000 - 15,000. Discussion continued.
 - Co #3 drain stinks again. Lengthy discussion continued; Douglas to find someone to completely flush it.

- Hays
 - Excused.
- Ramsey
 - Excused.
- Russo
 - Nothing at this time.
- Chandler
 - Planning on meeting the first part of April in reference to 273. Received prices from 4 different manufacturers. Lengthy discussion continued.
 - Commissioner Ellsworth questioned if he has had any contact with John Cameron in reference to 293. Commissioner Chandler noted he got a similar price for repairs to the aerial. Brief discussion continued.

Reports of the Town Board/Planning Board Liaisons

- Town of Greenfield: Commissioner Russo
 - Nothing at this time.
- Town of Wilton: D/C Bogardus
 - Not present this evening.
 - Commissioner Chandler questioned the status of the mall project; Captain N. King noted it was not brought to a public hearing yet. Discussion continued.

District Policy Review:

- Apparatus & Vehicle Use
- DMV/LENS
- Maintenance Vehicle, Trailer & Equipment Use

No changes made to above policies.

Special Topics of Discussion/Final Comments:

- A/C Marshall questioned which truck was going to Frank & Sons next; it was noted 282 and then 262. Discussion continued.

RESOLUTION #103 DISPENSING WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES.

MOTION: Chandler

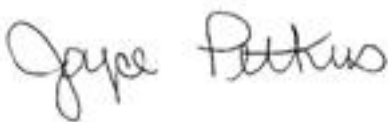
SECOND: Russo

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 8:23 PM. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Joyce A. Petkus
District Administrator/Treasurer