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Arlington Fire District

11 Burnett Boulevard
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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' MONTHLY MEETING April 13, 1999

ATTENDEES:

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

Attorney: Gerard Comatos (arrived at 7:41 p.m.)
Treasurer: James Passikoff (absent)
Secretary: Renee Gaddis

Chairman Lahey opened the meeting of the Arlington Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners' Monthly Meeting at 7:34 p.m.

- I. Comm. Lahey requested Comm. Chiumento and Comm. Philipp to review Abstract 4A.

II. MINUTES

- A. March 31, 1999 Board of Fire Commissioners' Workshop Meeting.
A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. McCourt to approve the Minutes as printed.
- Motion Carried.

III. **MONTHLY REPORTS**

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

IV. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. Received April 7, 1999, Minutes from Association of Fire Districts of Dutchess County meeting held on March 23rd.
- B. Memo dated April 5, 1999 from Susan Miller, Town of Poughkeepsie informing AFD of YMCA's Walk-a-Thon approval for May 2, 1999.

V. **PERSONNEL**

- A. Received letter April 13, 1999 from Arlington Engine Co. #1 requesting the status of the Assistant Chief position.
 - Attorney Comatos stated that an official letter will be forthcoming.
- B. Received April 7, 1999 - change of status - Beverly Klepp, drop Fire Police.
- C. Memo dated April 7, 1999 from Croft Corners requesting the removal and correction of the following members.
 - (1) Remove from Active Roles: Patricia King
John Ortiz
 - (2) Correction: Add Beverly Klepp back to active roles as EMS only for Station 5. *(Was removed on February 9, 1999 - Board Monthly Meeting)*

A motion was made by Comm. McCourt and seconded Comm. Chiumento to accept the aforementioned removal and correction.

- Motion Carried.

- D. Memo dated April 2, 1999 from Chief Hellmann to All District Personnel regarding the new washing machine.

VI. **DONATIONS**

A motion was made by Comm. McCourt 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>
Mr. & Mrs. William Curtis	In Memory of Ruth Posner	\$ 100. 00
Bernice Dow	In Memory of Ruth Posner	\$ 15. 00
Kathie Posner	In Memory of Ruth Posner	\$ 100. 00
Tony & Corrine Pennes	In Memory of Ruth Posner	\$ 20. 00

- Motion Carried.

VII. **SCHOOL REQUESTS**

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

- A. FF Grunow: "PVS Ambulance Driver Training Program", May 15, 1999 in Lime Rock, Conn.
- B. FF Ashline: "Advanced Rope I", May 20 - 23, 1999 at Camp Smith.
- C. FF Lieberman: "Introduction to Code Enforcement Practices", May 24 - 27, 1999 at Arlington Station #3.
- D. FF Mihans: "Advanced Rope Rescue II", June 7 - 10, 1999 at Camp Smith.

- Motion Carried.

IX. **RESOLUTIONS**

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 6-g of the General Municipal Law, there is hereby appropriated from the capital equipment reserve fund of the Arlington Fire District in the Town of Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, New York, in the sum not to exceed \$50, 000.00 to finance, pay for, and be applied toward the purchase of an Ambulance with related equipment, accessories and appurtenances.

The foregoing resolution is adopted subject to a permissive referendum.

AND

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 6-g of the General Municipal Law, there is hereby appropriated from the capital reserve fund of the Arlington Fire District in the Town of Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, New York, the sum not to exceed \$35, 000.00 to finance, pay for, and applied toward the purchase of a Mechanic's Service Vehicle with related equipment, accessories and appurtenances.

The foregoing resolution is adopted subject to a permissive referendum.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. McCourt to accept the aforementioned resolutions.

- Motion Carried.

Secretary Gaddis will have the Resolutions printed in the Poughkeepsie Journal.

X. **COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS**

- A. Chairman Lahey - No Items.
- B. Comm. McCourt - No Items.
- C. Comm. Richardson
 - 1. One (1) Item for Executive Session.

D. Comm. Chiumento

1. Questioned Larry Rosen on Application process after they have been approved.
 - Larry stated that the applicants will receive a letter welcoming them to the District. Also the letter explains the next steps. (i.e. two orientations, physical exam.) Will then receive a letter from EMS Director Kloefer, after the completion of physical exam, to contact their Captain to pick up gear.

Discussion amongst the Board and Larry Rosen Re: Volunteer applications and ways to speed up process. * Board has noted that Croft Corners is the only company that does not work with the Recruitment Director to speed up process by turning in applications when they receive them.

- Comm. Richardson stated that he wants all companies to notify Larry Rosen immediately of any new applications to start background checks and to speed up the process.

- Larry responded to Comm. Richardson by stating that Engine Co. #1, Stations 3, and 4 have been. He has had numerous conversations with Station 5's Recruiting Committee, which have refused.

- Comm. McCourt said he would like to contact the volunteers from the past two years that have dropped the District.

2. Questioned Attorney Comatos re: Service Awards & Retro Activity being illegal.
 - Attorney Comatos stated that it constitutes as a gift, Can't reward volunteer services by paying retroactively.

E. Comm. Philipp

1. Follow-up from last meeting - will be meeting with Assemblyman Joel Miller and DC Pells April 23, 1999.

XI. **CHIEFS ITEMS/COMMENTS**

A Deputy Chief Pells

1. Sexual Harassment Policy amendments have been made. Presented Board with copy of new Policy. Board may act on it at next meeting.
2. Presented Lease Agreement for Rochdale to the Board.
3. Meal Allotments - would like to propose an increase for Breakfast (\$8), Lunch (\$15) and Dinner (\$25). Board may act on it at next meeting.

4. Eyes for doors and equipment at Stations 4 & 5 have been installed.

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

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

A. Director of Volunteer Recruitment Larry Rosen

1. One (1) Application for approval.

2. One (1) Tentative Applicant Interview.

A motion was made by Comm. McCourt and seconded by Comm. Chiumento that we adjourn to Executive Session at 8:24 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

XIII. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:40 p.m and returned to Open Session.

Discussion - Manning of the South End.

XIV. **MEMBERSHIP**

A motion was made by Comm. Richardson and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to approve Steven Stefanchik for Fire Police.

- Motion Carried.

XV. **ABSTRACT 4A**

A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. Richardson to approve Abstract 4A in the amount of \$132, 061. 89, consisting of 113 transactions charged to 38 accounts.

- Motion Carried.

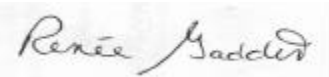
XVI. **SERVICE AWARD ELECTION**

1. Results of Service Award Special Election, held April 13, 1999 are attached.

With no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Comm. McCourt and seconded by Comm. Philipp that we adjourn at 10:30 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Renee Gaddis
District Secretary

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TO: THE TOWN CLERK OF THE TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE, AND TO THE BOARD OF
FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE ARLINGTON FIRE DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF
POUGHKEEPSIE, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK.

I the undersigned, being duly appointed inspector of the special election of the
qualified voters of the Arlington Fire District held at the Arlington Fire House, 11 Burnett
Boulevard, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, New York, on the 13th day of April, 1999, between
the hours of six o'clock P.M. and nine o'clock P.M. , hereby certify that I have canvasses the
votes for amendment of the Service Award Program.

		YES	NO
TOTAL			
The total number of ballots for	15	13	2
			15

I further certify that I have completed such canvass without adjournment: that the
said election was held in an orderly manner and in all respects as provided by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREAS, I have hereunto respectively set my hand this 13th day
of April 1999.

* William M. Doyle
CHAIRMAN

* Pamela B. Tompkins
INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

* Candace Ireland
INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

* official signature distributed in hard copy of Minutes