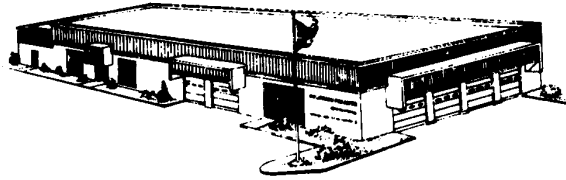


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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MONTHLY MEETING April 27, 2009

ATTENDEES:

Comm. Patrick Rose, Chairman (arrived at 7:35 p.m.)
Comm. Ann Bollmann
Comm. Kenneth Muckenhaupt - Acting Chairman
Comm. Kris Duderstadt (arrived at 7:32 p.m.)
Comm. Ralph Chiumento

Attorney: Richard J. Olson
Treasurer: James Passikoff (absent)
Business Manager: Frank Borquist
Secretary: Renee O'Neill

Acting Chairman Muckenhaupt opened the Arlington Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners' Monthly Meeting at 7:30 p.m., with a roll call and pledge of allegiance.

Comm. Duderstadt arrived at this time.

I. Comm. Muckenhaupt requested Comm. Bollmann and himself to review Abstract 4B.

II. MINUTES

A. April 13, 2009 Board of Fire Commissioners' Monthly Meeting

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Bollmann to approve the Minutes as printed.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0

III. MONTHLY REPORTS - *No reports given unless otherwise noted below*

- A. Service Awards - Comm. Muckenhaupt
- B. District Inspections - Comm. Duderstadt
- C. District Officers / Chief Liaison - Comm. Chiumento
- D. EMS & Paramedic Liaison - Comm. Bollmann
- E. Public Relations - Comm. Duderstadt
- F. Equipment Maintenance - Comm. Rose

- G. Buildings and Grounds - Comm. Rose
- H. Capital Equipment - Comm. Chiumento
- I. Union Negotiations & Contract - Comm. Muckenhaupt
- J. Career Staff Liaison - Comm. Rose
- K. Volunteer Recruitment - Comm. Bollmann
- L. Volunteer Liaison - Comm. Chiumento
- M. District Safety & Health - Comm. Bollmann
- N. Strategic Plan - Comm. Duderstadt

IV. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. E-mail dated April 24, 2009 from Ed Glasheen, Engine Co. #1, requesting to take 32-16 to New Hamburg's "Wet Down" on May 9th at 1pm to celebrate their new Tower Ladder.

Secretary O'Neill stated that Chief Roberts approved the use of 32-16 or any rig if its not available and that Assistant Chiefs Carlon and Finnigan and Captain's Hanaburgh and North also approved it.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Duderstadt to approve use of 32-16 on May 9th.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0

V. **PERSONNEL**

- A. E-mail received April 21, 2009 from Paul Speedling, recording secretary of ROM stating that Bryan Gannon has been released from medical leave and returned to active duty effective April 20, 2009.
- B. Letter dated April 24, 2009 from Samuel North, Sr., of Rochdale Fire Company requesting to be put on medical leave for a minimum of six months due to a recent health event on April 11th.

A motion was made by Comm. Bollmann and seconded by Comm. Duderstadt that we accept the request from Samuel North, Sr. for a medical leave.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0

VI. **SCHOOL REQUESTS**

The following members have been approved by the Chief to attend the following classes / seminars that are In County courses:

- A. FF Tanya Jones: "Haz Mat Ops First Responder", June 15, 18, 22, 25, 2009 at AFD HQ.

The following school requests need approval by the Board of Fire Commissioners:

- A. Captain James Snyder: "Highway Safety for Emergency Responders", June 6 - 7, 2009 at AFD HQ.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Bollmann to approve the school request for Captain James Snyder.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0

VII. **COMMISSIONERS ITEMS** - *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

A. Comm. Muckenhaupt

1. Web Site Revamp meeting is scheduled this Monday, May 4th at HQ to discuss ideas for the website. E-mail was given to all Department Heads.

Comm. Rose arrived at this time and asked that Comm. Muckenhaupt continue running the meeting.

B. Comm. Rose

1. One (1) Item for Executive Session

VIII. **CHIEFS / ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

A. Chief David Roberts, Sr.(absent)

B. Deputy Chief Jeff Pells (absent)

1. Submitted copies of invoices to personnel who missed WorkPlace appointments and who have not paid as of this date.

2. Submitted the 1st quarter AFD call stats

C. Assistant Chief Kevin Finnigan (absent)

D. Assistant Chief Eric Philipp (absent)

E. Assistant Chief Frank Carlon

1. Stated that we need to replace the yellow exterior gear; over 10 years old, not NFPA approved; unprofessional looking.

- Comm. Muckenhaupt asked for him to follow up with the Chiefs Council and make recommendations to the BOFC. AC Carlon stated that it gets brushed under the rug; we need to do something; we need to look better. AC Richardson stated that they are having discussions on it; trying to decide what brand to use; are aware that we need gear replacement.

- Comm. Chiumento stated that he is confused as to why exterior gear needs to be NFPA approved. He feels that we should look into less expensive exterior gear, since its exterior. AC Richardson stated that NFPA doesn't defrinciate between interior and exterior.

- Comm. Duderstadt wants to set a date to bring the proposal back to the BOFC so it doesn't sit. Suggested submitting a proposal to the BOFC within the next two months.

- Comm. Chiumento agreed, need to do it quickly so they can incorporate it into next years budget.

F. Assistant Chief John Richardson - No items

- G. EMS Director John Kloepfer
1. Received a request from Spackenkill Club Scout Pack 223 requesting an EMT for their Soap Box Derby on May 3rd at Spackenkill High School parking lot, from noon to 2 p.m.
 - AC Richardson stated that he will take care of handling this.
 2. Representatives from Vassar College informed him that effective next semester, (middle to end of August), they are closing the Baldwin house after 10 p.m. every night and will have no medical coverage on Vassar College property.
 - Comm. Chiumento suggests writing a letter to Senator Saland and Assemblyman Miller informing them of this work load increase and to look at legislation to tax non profits.
 - EMS Director Kloepfer stated that Vassar is fully aware of the issues; discussed with them about some kind of remuneration for the services we provide and they are looking into it. Comm. Rose agreed. Comm. Chiumento would like it in writing and publish it in the Journal.
- H. Attorney Richard Olson
1. Submitted a memo to the BOFC regarding the formation of an Explorer Post. The Board can do it.
- I. Treasurer Jim Passikoff (absent)
- J. Business Manager Frank Borquist
1. United Way is requesting us to provide a vehicle for their "Touch a Truck" event on July 12th at the DC Fairgrounds.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Bollmann to decline the request from the United Way.

- Motion Carried, 5 - 0

2. Members of the various companies are organizing a softball team; Looking at using Arlington school field to participate at; Arlington schools asked us to provide certificate of insurance; no medical coverage if personnel gets injured.
3. Station 3 projects - Receiving bids for a new boiler at Station 3. This is the primary project. Painting at Station 3 is almost done. Exterior painting will depend on the bids for the boiler. Also, looking at getting stone for the beds instead of mulch.

IX. **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

- A. FF John Cox - wanted to know the status of the car seat trailer that the Union offered to purchase it for the Chili Team.
- Attorney Olson stated that we have to obtain the resale value. Business

Manager Borquist will contact Trailer King.

- B. Resident - (no name given) - requested that the time and date of every Board meeting be posted on the website.

Secretary O'Neill stated that it already is and when dates of meeting change, that gets posted as well. Comm. Rose stated that we are in the process of revamping our website and will make sure that it continues to be posted.

- X. **COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS** - *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

With no further open items to discuss, a motion was made by Comm. Rose and seconded by Comm. Bollmann to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:58 p.m.

- Motion Carried, 5 - 0

- XI. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:35 p.m. and returned to Open Session.

- XII. **OPEN ITEMS**

A motion was made by Comm. Rose and seconded by Comm. Bollmann to support payment for the BLS Instructor course for Tanya Jones, an EMT at Station 3.

- Motion Carried, 5 - 0

Comm. Rose stated that we received a letter from Fairview Fire District, John Anspach, Chairman of the Board, regarding the "Fairness for Fairview" group wanting to dissolve Fairview Fire District. They want to consolidate Arlington Fire District and Fairview Fire District and that we (AFD BOFC) are taking it under advisement.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Bollmann that we approve Sean Jackson and Frank Carlon to take the online Haz Mat Incident Command course that has been approved and that the District will pay up front the costs, with the stipulation that they must attend and pass the class or they will reimburse the District.

- Motion Carried, 5 - 0

Notification to the Board: Comm. Rose stated that Ginsberg is looking at tax PILOT program's for the old Country Club property to try to develop it and build on the commercial part only. Comm. Rose will forward the information to Attorney Olson to review.

- XIII. **ABSTRACT**

A motion was made by Comm. Muckenhaupt and seconded by Comm. Bollmann to approve abstract 4B in the amount of \$244, 310.41 consisting of 73 transactions.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0 - 1 (Comm. Duderstadt abstained)

With no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Comm. Rose and seconded by Comm. Bollmann that we adjourn at 8:42 p.m.

- Motion Carried, 5 - 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee O'Neill
Fire District Secretary