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## Arlington Fire District

11 Burnett Boulevard  
Poughkeepsie, New York 12603

### **BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' WORKSHOP MEETING April 28, 1999**

ATTENDEES:

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

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

Chairman Lahey opened the meeting of the Arlington Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners' Workshop Meeting at 7:46 p.m.

I. Comm. Lahey requested Comm. Chiumento and Comm. McCourt to review Abstract 4B.

#### II. MINUTES

- A. April 13, 1999 Board of Fire Commissioners' Monthly Meeting.  
A motion was made by Comm. McCourt and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to approve the Minutes as printed.
- Motion Carried.

III. **MONTHLY REPORTS**

- A. Fire District Affairs - April 1999

IV. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. Received thank you letter, dated April 19, 1999 from Kieran Keating, Co-Chair of "I Won't Grow Up Day" thanking AFD for its time.

- Chief Hellman wanted to thank FF Ashline and FF Klauck for going over with 32-11 that day. DC Pells noted that Graham Campbell also attended.

V. **PERSONNEL**

- A. Received April 21, 1999 - Change of Status request from Christopher Sample to add EMS.
- B. Received April 14, 1999 packet of parade information from Assistant Chief Phillips for the Board of Fire Commissioners. *(Copy given to Local 2393 President)*
- C. Memo dated April 14, 1999 to All District Personnel from Assistant Chief Phillips regarding the 1998 Parade Awards.
- D. Memo dated April 13, 1999 to All District Personnel from Assistant Chief Phillips updating the 1999 Parades, now including equipment being used.

VI. **DONATIONS**

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. McCourt to turn over the total donation amount to the Four Company Fund, pending receipt and location of checks.

*Note: Secretary Gaddis keeps checks in Administrative office until approved by the Board and any notes, if any, received with donation are included in the meeting folder, for Board to view.*

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Clayton Bailey	Ambulance for Wife	\$100. 00
John 3:16 Christian Center	Contribution	\$50. 00

- Motion Carried.

VII. **SCHOOL REQUESTS**

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

- A. FF John Palcher: "EMS Seminar", May 1, 1999 at Fishkill Holiday Inn.
- B. FF Pete Davis: "Void Search and Rescue Concepts", May 3, 1999 at Camp Smith.
- C. FF William Steenbergh: "PALS Re-Certification", May 6, 1999 at Dutchess Community College South Campus.
- D. FF Pete Davis: "Intermediate Rope Rescue", May 13 - 16, 1999 at Camp Smith.
- E. FF William Horton: "Haz Mat Technician", May 15 - 16 & May 29 - 30, 1999 at Camp Smith.
- F. FF George Finn: "Paramedic Certificate Course", September 1999 thru May 2000 at Hudson Valley Community College.

- Motion Carried.

## VIII.

### **COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS**

A. Chairman Lahey - No Items.

B. Comm. McCourt

- 1. AC Phillips wanted to know tentative date for Annual Inspection & Picnic. Believes that Comm. Richardson and AC Phillips have been in contact, AC Phillips volunteered to help Comm. Richardson. Wants AC Phillips to tentatively make arrangements at the American Legion. Board will act on it, when there is a full Board.
- 2. One (1) Item for Executive Session.

C. Comm. Chiumento

- 1. Had a call from Dave Rogers of PaineWebber, invited him to next Workshop Meeting at the end of May, will be coming with review of Funds.
- 2. Meeting with Assemblyman Joel Miller went well. Will be meeting in three weeks to discuss what he found. i.e. costs, etc.
  - DC Pells stated that he had concerns: since their paying for taxes, how can we substantiate billing, what kind of cost reduction look at in the Budget, insurance companies & schedules, impact on homeowners, etc.

IX.

**CHIEFS ITEMS/COMMENTS**

A. Chief John Hellmann

1. Need approval for Chief's Conference held on June 10 - 12, 1999 in Syracuse, NY for Chief officers, EMS Director, Career Lts., Mechanics and Company Captains.
2. One (1) Item for Executive Session.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. McCourt to approve the Chief's Conference held in Syracuse.

- Motion Carried.
- Letter read by Chief Hellmann from the Thermal Imaging Committee thanking the Board.  
Discussion amongst DC Pells and the Board on the Thermal Image Camera.

B. Deputy Chief Pells

1. Presented Board with Meal Allotment proposed amendments.
  - Comm. Lahey stated that he wants it to state no alcohol.

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. McCourt amending the meal allotments for \$48 maximum, \$8 for breakfast, \$15 for lunch, and \$25 for dinner with the described limitations.

- Motion Carried.
- 2. Sexual Harassment Policy - No Action Taken.
  - Comm. Lahey stated that he hasn't looked at it yet.

X.

**ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR**

A. Director of Recruitment Larry Rosen

1. Presented Board with Membership Applications to be approved.
  - A. Lee A. Arco - FF, 1
  - B. Pauline A. Bernabo - EMS, 5
  - C. Jennifer L. Webb - FF/EMS, 1 (*to be discussed in Executive Session*)

A motion was made by Comm. McCourt and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to approve Lee Arco and Pauline Bernabo as members of the Arlington Fire District.

- Motion Carried.

B. Treasurer Passikoff

1. Presented Board with copy of March 1999 Financial report for the District.

A motion was made by Comm. McCourt and seconded by Comm. Chiumento that we adjourn to Executive Session at 8:45 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

XI. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 9:28 p.m and returned to Open Session.

XII. **MEMBERSHIPS**

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. McCourt to not accept Jennifer Webb as a member of the Arlington Fire District, for the following reasons; failed to complete application process, including letter of reference and interview with the Board.

- Motion Carried.

XII. **ABSTRACT 4B**

A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. McCourt to approve Abstract 4B in the amount of \$63, 662.08, consisting of 95 transactions charged to 43 accounts.

- Motion Carried.

With no further business to conduct, a motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Chiumento that we adjourn at 9:30 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Renee Gaddis", is written on a light-colored background. The signature is enclosed within a thin vertical rectangular border on the right side.

Renee Gaddis  
District Secretary