

Selkirk Fire District

Board of Fire Commissioners, Selkirk, NY 12158

February 20, 2017

Meeting Minutes

[As Approved on March 20, 2017]

The meeting was opened at Selkirk Fire District Administrative Office at 7:01 PM by Commissioner Van Apeldoorn.

IN ATTENDANCE

(X) Robert G. BURNS	() Charles WICKHAM
(X) Barak STROCK	(X) William ASPRION, Chief
(X) Douglas VAN APELDOORN	(X) Douglas OPHARDT, District Treasurer
(X) George TEN EYCK	(X) Stephanie KRAUSE, District Secretary

OTHERS: Asst. Chief Michaniw, Asst. Chief Hummel, Steve Hummel, Jr. and Captain Tom Neri

Minutes from the previous meetings of January 16, 2017 were read and approved

MOTION to approve by G. Ten Eyck; 2nd by B. Burns (All in Favor)

TREASURER'S REPORT:

General Fund Balance: \$; E&A Fund Balance: \$; B&G Fund Balance \$
Prepaid Claims approved at January Meeting \$
Payroll: \$
Abstract dated: February 2017 numbers 2017- to 2017- Inclusive

MOTION:

MOTION: to approve the Treasurer's Report by G. Ten Eyck; 2nd by B. Burns (All in Favor)

MOTION: to approve all claims presented by Treasurer Ophardt by G. TenEyck; 2nd by B. Burns (All in Favor)

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- 1) The PESH report for 2017 has been shared and posted in all fire stations.
- 2) Stephanie Sellers will be assisting while Secretary Krause is out for surgery starting March 20th.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Commissioners Wickham, Van Apeldoorn, Burns, Strock and Ten Eyck attended the Commissioner's Training on January 21, 2017. Certificates will be forwarded to Secretary Krause.
- 2) A PDF version of the Policies and Procedures that are complete will be forwarded to Commissioner Van Apeldoorn to be added to the District website

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) The 2017 Custodian/Independent Contractor Agreements were distributed
- 2) The Apparatus Value list was updated and forwarded to our insurance agent, Greg Turner. The 2012 Chevy Tahoe is now at \$50,000. The 2012 International (TA-43) is now at \$450,000. The 2010 Aerial is now at \$1.1 million, the 2015 Chevy Tahoe is at \$50,000 and the 2016 Chevy Tahoe is now \$50,000.
- 3) Chairman Wickham and Chief Aspiron are scheduling time to meet with neighboring districts to formalize and/or revise Mutual Aid agreements

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Commissioner Burns:

- The Harvard Boilers visit has been re-scheduled to March 9, 2017
- KOT Electric is working on the light issues at Station #1 and Station #2
- Milton Cat fixed the generator at Station #1
- Madsen Overhead Doors is working on the garage door at Station #2
- The siren at Station #1 is being worked on. There are issues with the charging system. Estimates are being collected. The siren at Station #2 is being looked at by Barry Leet from Crystal Clear Communications.

Commissioner Van Apeldoorn:

- Prices were shared for table skirts and banners from Gettysburg. Opting for sewn versus being screen printed were discussed
- The Installation Dinner plans are all in place with the exception of securing a bus for transportation.

Commissioner Strock:

- Regarding the Air Truck (M-426), the roof repair and the lettering are done. The light bar still needs to be moved. Chief Hummel and Captain Wagner will be now overseeing this project going forward. Chief Michaniw shared that he doesn't think that we should pay an additional \$2000 to move the light bar. Chief Hummel thinks it should be moved.

MOTION to spend up to \$2000 to move the light bar to the middle of the cap by Commissioner Strock; dollar amount recinded;

2nd MOTION to spend up to \$2500 to move the light bar to the middle of the cap; 2nd by Commissioner G. Ten Eyck; All in favor with the exception of Commissioner Burns. (3/4)

- The R-46 Truck Committee had their initial meeting. They are planning several visits to other fire departments to see what type of truck will meet the needs of our fire district
- Commissioner Strock will have updated information on an exhaust system at the next Board of Fire Commissioner meeting in March

Commissioner Ten Eyck:

- It was noted that there are on RBC to trustees changes. Commissioner Van Apeldoorn shared that his recent interaction with Tony Hill/Penfex has been all positive and professional.
 - Regarding Active 911, Commissioner Ten Eyck asked what interest there is in adding the hydrants on it. All present were in favor of adding them (up to 10,000) as there is not cost involved. We need to encourage more to use the Active 911
 - Regarding the 800mh radio system, Commissioner Ten Eyck reported the Town of Bethlehem Radio Communication team says we will be moving forward with it, although it was reported that the Town of Bethlehem was not.: Commissioner Ten Eyck added that we we'll be paying in to this in phases
- MOTION** to buy (3) additional portable radios up to \$7500 by G. Ten Eyck; 2nd by B. Burns (All in Favor)
- MOTION** to buy (3) Unification pagers by G. Ten Eyck; 2nd by B. Strock (All in Favor)

CHIEF'S REPORT:

1. Regarding firefighter gear, Chief Aspiron would like to move up to \$95,000 from the E&A fund and spend on 30-35 sets of firefighter gear. Secretary Krause will submit a Permissive Referendum.
MOTION: to begin a Permissive Referendum to move \$95,000 out of the E&A fund by G. Ten Eyck; 2nd by B. Strock (All in Favor) Up to \$27, 500 will be used from the General fund for the gear purchase as well.
2. A Permissive Referendum is not needed for the purchase of a new fire boat
3. Chief Aspiron extended his appreciation to Commissioner Strock for all of his work with the new Air Truck. He also noted that Chief Hummel will be taking the lead with any other work needing completion .
4. Chief Aspiron shared that he has appointed Firefighter Jaime Camps to Quartermaster.
5. Chief Aspiron presented the need for new gloves.

MOTION: to spend up to \$1800 for firefighter gloves by B. Strock; 2nd by B. Burns (All in Favor)

6. Chief Asprion discussed the desire to sell the 2008 Howe Trailer. He has three offers and could sell for \$800. He feels an open box trailer would be more beneficial to the department.

MOTION: to declare the 2008 Howe Trailer surplus and accept \$800 by G. Ten Eyck; 2nd by D. Van Apeldoorn; Commissioner Strock opposed, and Commissioners B. Burns and D. Van Apeldoorn in favor.

7. Regarding the accident with T-40 on 1/28/17, Elsmere's truck E-31 had \$3,273.50 worth of damage and T-40 had \$4,764.46 worth of damage.

8. Chief Asprion noted that the Board of Directors had no membership changes at this time. He did note that firefighters R. Weisheit and R. Bailey are no longer active as they submitted their resignations. Chief Asprion also noted that firefighter B. Bierman has not yet returned his minitor, charger, key fobs or his brass tag. He requested that Secretary Krause send out a certified letter requesting all equipment be returned.

9. Chief Asprion reminded the Board of Fire Commissioners that the next Town of Bethlehem Fire Officers Meeting is on April 6, 2017. He also suggested that more effort should be made to make them.

MOTION: to properly adjourn the regularly scheduled Board of Fire Commissioners monthly meeting at 9:48 p.m. The next meeting of the Selkirk Board of Fire Commissioners is scheduled for Monday, March 20th at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Building, 126 Maple Avenue, Selkirk, New York.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Krause
District Secretary