



Fairview Fire District
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**FAIRVIEW FIRE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
December 2, 2008
Final**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Chairman John E. Anspach.

ATTENDEES: John E. Anspach
Commissioners: Dave Hazzard
Richard Martineau
Jack Burghardt
Tom Ashline, Sr.

Tory Gallante, Chief
Cathy Gallinger, Secretary
James Passikoff, Treasurer

Absent:, William Spampinato, Attorney

Motion to approve minutes of 11/3/08 Board meeting:

Motion: Commissioner Martineau **Second:** Commissioner Ashline Sr. **Poll of Commissioners:** A.I.F.

CORRESPONDENCE:

November 4, 2008 - a letter from Commissioner Martineau requesting to be placed on the election ballot for the five-year term position of Fire Commissioner

November 21, 2008 - a letter from Gail Thomas Superintendent Beacon Correctional confirming she will pass along Chief Gallante's kind words of the work completed and staff.

Letter from Delores Longbard thanking Fairview Fire Company for to her house when having diabetic trouble

December 2, 2008 - Justin Bohlmann requesting the use of Fire Engines for the 2008 Santa run and thanking Lorraine Merwin for the donation of \$200 for diesel fuel.

December 2, 2008 – A letter from Ronald Hicks, Sr. to the Board of Commissioners requesting help with the tax situation as it is becoming not only a tax problem but a safety problem. The letter was copied to D. Patterson, S. Saland, J. Miller, DC Legislature, P. Delafield, P. Meyers

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion to accept payment of all bills submitted for the month of November 2008

Motion: Commissioner Hazzard **Second:** Commissioner Burghardt **Poll of Commissioners:** A.I.F.

OLD BUSINESS:
Nothing to report

RECORD RETENTION COMMITTEE:

Nothing to report

PROPERTY:
Nothing new to report

PERSONNEL:

Nothing new to report

COMPUTER COMMITTEE:

APPARATUS COMMITTEE:
Nothing to report

AUDIT COMMITTEE: **nothing to report**
Commissioner Burghardt and Commissioner Ashline Sr. reviewed the October checks - everything was ok

LIAISON TO UNION:
Nothing to report

SAFETY COMMITTEE:
At the officers meeting the Union was asked to come back with some available dates to meet. We have not received any dates.

Chairman's report –

After being informed that there were comments on the internet in regards to the template that Leg. Doxsey and I were going to create I would like to address the matter. Leg. Doxsey and I have reviewed the issues with our attorneys and it was decided to not put a template letter together until the DEC presents their determination.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

1. Letter was sent to Dutchess County Board of Elections relating vote by FFD Board of Fire Commissioners that the fire station will no longer be available as a polling place.
 - a. As per the Board and public opinion the Chief will resend a letter saying the Board of Elections can continue to use the Fairview Fire House
2. NYSDOH was here in November to inspect our ambulances, personnel files, training records, pre-hospital care reports and policies/procedures. Inspection was passed with no deficiencies.
3. The watch desk and Lt's computers are past their serviceable lifetime and have been experiencing problems. Two new computers were purchased state contract through Dell.
4. Painting in the basement has been completed.
5. Received a copy today of the draft Scoping Document for the Hudson Heritage Park Property and plan on attending the next Scoping Session which will be held on December 3, 2008 at Town of Poughkeepsie Town Hall.
6. The latest update on the command vehicle from Hoselton Chevrolet is that delivery should take place sometime on early December.
7. Met with Tyler Fire Equipment and finished execution of contract for bid award of conversion package for command vehicle.
8. Received phone call today from Jim Whaley of Assemblyman Miller's office inviting me, Chairman Anspach and treasure Passikoff to a follow up meeting on December 10th at 1100 hrs for issues facing FFD.
9. Donation letter from DCC with a check for \$5,000
10. Councilman Cifone and I continue to have ongoing discussions with St. Francis Hospital & Health Centers. The following items have been discussed and agreed upon:
 - a. FFD will stop responding to helicopter landings around March/April 2009 and SFHHC will be installing traffic control devices near the helipad. FFD and SFHHC will meet and discuss criteria for when 911 should still be called (aircraft emergencies etc.)
 - b. SFHHC will schedule a meeting with the SFH Foundation & FFD to discuss a fundraising event for FFD

NEW BUSINESS:

Nothing to report

ATTORNEY REPORT:

Nothing to report

EMS Committee:

Next meeting is December 8th and in early January we will be doing a power point presentation to all of the boards.

Executive Session:

Motion to go into Executive Session at 8:15 pm for Personnel issues

Motion: Commissioner Martineau **Second:** Commissioner Burghardt **Poll of Commissioners:** A.I.F

Motion to enter back into regular session at 9:15 pm:

Motion Commissioner Hazzard **Second:** Commissioner Martineau. **Poll of Commissioners:** A.I.F.

Action as a result of Executive session:

Motion to appoint Bradley Pinsky of Scicchitano & Pinsky PLLC as the attorney for the district January 2nd 2009 and accept his proposal #5 and have him attend the Reorganizational meeting

Motion: Commissioner Martineau **Second:** Commissioner Ashline Sr.

Poll of the Commissioners

Martineau: Yes

Hazzard: Yes

Burghardt: Yes

Ashline Sr. Yes

Anspach: Yes

Commissioner Ashline Sr. is to contact Bradley Pinsky and advise him of his appointment to be the attorney for the District.

Motion to appoint Lieutenant Chirstopher Maeder to Captain Christopher Maeder effective pay period starting December 12, 2008.

Motion: Commissioner Martineau **Second:** Commissioner Hazzard

Poll of the Board: Martineau : Yes

Hazzard: Yes

Ashline Sr: No

Burghardt: Yes

Anspach: Yes

There being no further action brought before the Board, motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Martineau with a second by Commissioner Burghardt at 9:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Gallinger, Secretary

cc: Chief Tory G. Gallante
Commissioners
District File
Jim Passikoff

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