Highland Fire District

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Regular Meeting August 11, 2020 7 PM St 1

Commissioners:	Stephen DiLorenzo	(PRESENT)
	Benjamin Bragg	(ABSENT)
	Christian Erichsen	(PRESENT)
	John Fraino	(ABSENT)
	Alan Barone	(PRESENT)
Secretary/Treasurer	James Passikoff	(PRESENT)
District Clerk	Denise A. Holzberger	(PRESENT)
Chief	Peter Miller	(PRESENT)
Highland Hose Co.#1	Secretary Steve Lee	(PRESENT)
Highland Hose Co. #1	President Jim Balint	(PRESENT)
Highland Hose Co. #1	Vice Pres. Chuck Gentilquore	(PRESENT)

Chairman DiLorenzo called the meeting to order, led the salute to the flag and called for a moment of silence in memory of fallen firefighters

1. Approval of Minutes- July 14, 2020

Chairman Dilorenzo asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2020 meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Chris Erichsen moved to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2020 regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Alan Barone.
VOTE: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent
Motion carried unan.

2. Authorization to Pay Bills

Chairman DiLorenzo asked for a motion to pay the bills as reviewed on August 10, 2020 by Commissioners Fraino and Barone and Chief Miller.

MOTION: Commissioner Alan Barone moved to approve the abstract of bills in the amount \$17426.11, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen. VOTE: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent Motion carried unan.

3. **Correspondence**- the following correspondence was received: Verizon- new contract for POTs line 845-331-1975

4. New Membership-none

5. Committee Reports: Buildings and Grounds Station 1- Commissioners Bragg and Barone

<u>Police Station</u>- Chairman DiLorenzo reported the alarm kept sounding in the Police Station. Safeco checked the alarms and cleaned heads. Chairman DiLorenzo stated that he spoke with Rich of Mauri and Associates and discussed getting a set of specifications from Gerard Associates (designing of original system) for Stations 1 and 2 along with an estimate for the cost of developing specifications. We need a system that can tell us what head is malfunctioning. Commissioner Barone recommended getting an estimate for the cost of a fob entry system as an alternate.

<u>Storage</u>-Chief Miller noted that additional storage space is needed in the community room.

<u>Copier – The District Clerk is working on obtaining quotes for a new copier.</u>

6. Station 2- Commissioners Erichsen and Fraino

Station 2- Commissioner Erichsen stated there is nothing to report.

7. New Apparatus

Chief Miller stated that the loaner ladder truck was received at 3:30 AM on August 8, 2020 and at 6:30 am 31-45 (1991 E-One Tower) was taken to Coeymans Fire District. the loaner truck is an KME and we will have personnel that is experienced with KME train us on it. A leak was found in the ladder extension and will be repaired in a about a week by Premier.

Chairman DiLorenzo reported that our new truck is in production as of 8/3/2020. .

8. Insurance/Workers Compensation

Insurance coverage for the loaner has been obtained; old 31-45 has been removed from our insurance.

9. Physical Fitness- 2019 Reimbursement total \$441.09

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10. Ulster County Fire District Association-Commissioners Bragg and DiLorenzo

September 17, 2020 West Hurley

11. LOSAP- July 2020 Activity posted August 13, 2020

Penflex- email was sent to Ed Holohan regarding points administration and resolution.

12. Treasurer Report - June 2020

Treasurer Passikoff stated there is nothing unusual to report. It was noted that on page 2 the \$60,000 from Coeymans Fire District is in the apparatus Reserve and the \$10,000 reduction in price is treated as a concession at closing.

The Board agreed on holding a Special meeting to begin working on the 2021 Budget on August 19, 2020.

MOTION: Commissioner Chris Erichsen moved to accept the July 2020 Financial Report as submitted by the Treasurer, seconded by Commissioner Alan Barone.VOTE: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 AbsentMotion carried unan.

13. Public Comment- none

14. Chief's Report-

Chief Miller reported the following:

Training- Live and Driver Training will start by September 2020.

<u>Physicals</u>- should be starting up again as well.

15. OLD Business-

Police Lease- Commissioners Fraino and Barone. It was noted that there is only one more payment left on the bond.

16. New Business-

<u>COVID-19 Policy</u>- we must have a COVID -19 Policy in place; however, it does not need to be submitted to New York State.

AUDIT 2019- documents received ad reviewed.

Pumpers- prize frees until January 1, 2021 and extended warranty

There was discussion regarding 1995 and 1996 trucks having value Commissioner Alan Barone stated we need to anticipate when we would replace 30 and 60, Treasurer Passikoff stated that if there is a realistic replacement plan in place the state won't frown on your apparatus reserve account amount.

Chairman Dilorenzo stated that we should review purchased two pumpers in September.

<u>St. 1 Parking Lot</u>- Commissioner Barone stated that the parking lot at Station 1 needs work and sealing. Catch basin and ditch near MLSS is in need of work.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION: At 7:55 PM, Commissioner Alan Barone moved to go to executive session to discuss matters related to the employment history of particular individual, seconded by Commissioner Erichsen. VOTE: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

VOTE: 3 Yes 0 NO 0 Abstain 2 Abs

Motion carried unan.

18. Return to Regular Session and Adjournment

MOTION: At 8:35 PM , Commissioner Alan Barone moved to return to the regular session and there being no further business, moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen.

VOTE: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent Motion carried unan.

Respectfully Submitted, Denise A. Holzberger, District Clerk