

Regular Meeting

June 24, 2020

7 PM St 1

Commissioners:	Stephen DiLorenzo	(PRESENT)
	Benjamin Bragg	(PRESENT)
	Christian Erichsen	(ABSENT)
	John Fraino	(PRESENT)
	Alan Barone	(PRESENT)
Secretary/Treasurer	James Passikoff	(ABSENT))
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)

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 Newly Elected Officers for 2020

There was discussion regarding the Second Lieutenant election. Chief Miller explained the background of a past lieutenant's election when a required training on the ladder truck was waived as the training was in progress of the newly received ladder. At that time under the circumstances due to the timing of the ladder truck coming into service, this waiver was acceptable. The newly elected Lieutenant was permitted to complete his training on the ladder after his election. The candidate that ran this year had not qualified on 31-45 and 31-35 but had been told by the second Assistant Chief to run anyway. Chief Miller explained that the candidate had cancelled driver training four times and was not prepared.

Second Assistant Chief Gaffney stated the he realizes he is close to the situation and does not want to appear a sore loser, however the newly elected First Assistant Chief only made 98 calls. It was noted that Second Assistant Chief made 158 calls.

MOTION: Commissioner Alan Barone moved to approval the Officers for 2020, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE: 4 Aye 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried unan.

The Board commended all the volunteers who responded and continue to respond during this COVID-19 Crisis.

**2. Correspondence-
Room Use Request-**

Friday August 14, 2020 8 am to 6 PM American RED Cross Blood Drive Blood Drive will run 10-4 PM.

MOTION: Commissioner John Fraino moved to approve the request for use of the community room for an American Red Cross Blood Drive, seconded by Commissioner Alan Barone.

VOTE: 4 Aye 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried unan.

3. Committee Reports:

Building and Grounds St.1- Commissioners Bragg and Barone

Police Station- LED lights installed in Ladies Room

Buildings and Grounds ST 2 - Commissioners Erichsen and Fraino

BBQ PIT PAD- we need to re-establish what we want to do.

4. New Apparatus

31-45 - Chairman DiLorenzo reported that he spoke with Commissioner Dominic Bruno of the Coeymans Fire District and they are anxious to receive 31-45. They do have mutual aid with another fire district; however, they feel the aerial is not adequate for their coverage area.

Our new truck should have been here now. E-One is saying by end of September 2020, with inspection in October 2020. Chief Miller has developed a plan for assistance if we release old 31-45 prior to delivery of our new truck. Chief Miller reported that New Paltz Fire District would be on First alarm. City of Poughkeepsie would respond for alarms closer to this end of town. Arlington Fire District agreed to respond if needed. Chief Miller feels we could let old 31-45 go.

Commissioner Alan Barone feels our mutual is adequate with three possible departments. We need to move with Coeymans and not risk losing the sale.

Chairman DiLorenzo stated that Coeyman's has not stated they would pull out of this arrangement but are eager to receive the truck.

Chief Miller feels the new truck should be delivered here and we can begin training right of way. Equipment mounting could also be done here.

Commissioner Alan Barone stated again that we asked the Chief to come back with a plan and he did. We have three departments to back us up. We should talk to Coeyman's and find out how long they are willing to wait. Chairman DiLorenzo will speak with Coeyman's.

5. **Public Comment-** none

6. **Chief's Report-**

Physicals- Chief Miller reported physical will be starting back up again.

Training- going back to training with smaller groups.

7. **Old Business-**

Mutual Aid Insurance- All departments have it; up to \$1 million per incident not truck.

8. **New Business-**

New Legislation for LOSAP during COVID-19- Resolution and Plan Amendment needed.

Resolution to authorize Penflex to Draft COVID-19 Resolution-

MOTION: Commissioner Alan Barone moved to authorize Penflex to draft the resolution and amendment to our LOSAP Plan to include the provision for COVID-19 at a cost of \$300, seconded by Commissioner Ben Bragg.

VOTE: 4 Aye 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried unan.

2021 Budget- Budget workshops are needed

9. **Executive Session-**

MOTION: Commissioner Alan Barone moved to go to Executive Session at 8:15 PM, to discuss the employment history of a particular person, seconded by Commissioner Ben Bragg.

VOTE: 4 Aye 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried unan.

10. Return to regular session and Adjournment-

MOTION : Commissioner Barone moved to return to the regular session and there being no further further business, moved to adjourn at 8:45 PM, seconded by Commissioner Ben Bragg.

VOTE: 4 Aye 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried unan.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise A. Holzberger
District Clerk

APPROVED BOFC 7/14/2020