

Regular Meeting
November 12, 2019
7 PM St 1

Commissioners:	Stephen DiLorenzo	(PRESENT)
	Benjamin Bragg	(PRESENT)
	Christian Erichsen	(PRESENT)
	John Fraino	(PRESENT)
	Alan Barone	(ABSENT)
Secretary/Treasurer	James Passikoff	(PRESENT)
District Clerk	Denise A. Holzberger	(PRESENT)
Chief	Peter Miller	(ABSENT) arrived at 8:10 PM
Assistant Chief	Michael Gaffney	(PRESENT)

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

1. **APPROVAL of Minutes-** Chairman DiLorenzo asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2019 meeting, October 15, 2019 2020 Budget Hearing, and the October 16, 2019 meeting.
All were tabled for approval until next meeting.

2. **Authorization to pay bills-** As reviewed on Monday November 11, 2019 by Commissioners Alan Barone and Fraino and Chief Miller. Total Abstract \$27508.72.

MOTION: Commissioner Ben Bragg moved to approve payment of the bills totaling \$27508.72, seconded by Commissioner Erichsen.

VOTE: 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion carried.

3. **Correspondence-**

VFIS-credit received for deletion of 2008 Tahoe

2020 Commissioner Training

Room Requests-

April 23, 24,25 2020- Girl Scout Grand Prix Requested by Erica Darcy Weigh-in, Set-up and Race

MOTION: Commissioner Chris Erichsen moved to approve the request for use of the community room for the Girl Scout Grand Prix April 23, 24 and 25 2020 as requested by Erica Darcy, seconded by John Fraino

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion carried.

4. **New Membership- Tyce Lambert and Braeden Lambert**

Chairman DiLorenzo described the available training; FF1 Boot Camp is held here and around in neighboring departments and encouraged attendance at duty nights. Commissioner Fraino thanked them for volunteering. Service program was discussed. Duty nights help familiarize members with the trucks and equipment locations and functions.

MOTION: Commissioner Chris Erichsen moved to approve Tyce Lambert as a member with age restrictions pending his successful completion of a physical exam, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen .

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion carried.

MOTION: Commissioner Chris Erichsen moved to approve Braeden Lambert as a member with age restrictions pending his successful completion of a physical exam, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen .

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 2 Absent

Motion carried.

5. **Committee Reports-**

Buildings & Grounds St. 1 -Commissioners Bragg and Barone

Grease Trap- new one installed by Community Plumbing; poly tank.

Siren- repaired .

Three-Bay sink-for Bays. Cost \$1400 uninstalled (Dutchess Restaurant Supply.)

Garbage Removal- received an unsolicited proposal from Russo's. To Review our current Contract first.

Buildings & Grounds St. 2 -Commissioners Erichsen and Fraino

BBQ PIT- No action

Alarm System- pending quotes; Commissioner Chris Erichsen to contact vendors.

Cage-no action.

5. **New Apparatus**-
Sale of 31-45-contract received; legal counsel advises going forward with permissive referendum. Need to determine what will go with the truck and what will stay.
6. **Insurance/Workers Compensation**-
Renewal documents have been received for Cancer Insurance, Workers comp/ VFBL and disability.
Cancer Claims Report and Roster due as of 12/1/19- sent in on November 29, 2019.
7. **Physical Fitness**-
2019 Reimbursement \$129.86
2018 Reimbursement \$317.11
8. **Ulster County Fire District Association**- next meeting November 21, 2019 at Centerville
UCFCA- 11/21/19 at Marlboro
Driver's Meeting 11/19/19
9. **Service Awards**- October 2019 Activity posted November 5, 2019. posted September 24, 2019
Note: Highland Fire District has a Defined Benefit Program.

Upgrade of LOSAP- would be voted on at December 2019 Annual Election.
10. **Treasurer's Report**- October 2019 report reviewed by Treasurer.
Treasurer Passikoff noted that on page 3 of 9 shows accrual of \$50,000 from last year for car.
Page 1 of 9 shows interest rates have fallen ; funds are now in the money market.

MOTION: Commissioner Ben Bragg moved to accept the October 2019 Treasurer's report as submitted, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE: 4 Aye 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried.

11. **Public Comment-**

HHC.1 President Jim Balint stated that the Christmas Party will be held on December 7, 2019.

12. **Chief's Report-** Assistant Chief Mike Gaffney

Chairman DiLorenzo inquired as to the status of the Grant . AC Mike Gaffney reported that Purchase of equipment is pending. (*Chief Miller arrived at 8:10 PM ; see Chief's Report after New Business*)

13. **Old Business-**

Sexual Harassment Prevention Training- to be done on March 1, 2020 (OSHA)

14. **New Business-**

Commissioner Fraino stated he will find out the status of the Town of Lloyd councilman Election November 20, 2019.

Sale of 31-45 Permissive Referendum

A meeting of the Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners, was held at the firehouse located at Highland, New York, on November 12,2019 at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

There were present: Chairman Stephen DiLorenzo
Commissioner John Fraino
Commissioner Christian Erichsen
Commissioner Benjamin A. Bragg

Also, present: Secretary/ Treasurer James Passikoff

Commissioner Benjamin A. Bragg offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the 1991 E-1 95' Tower Ladder Apparatus be declared surplus equipment and be sold for the sum of SEVENTY THOUSAND (\$70,000.00) DOLLARS, subject to permissive referendum.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was seconded by Commissioner Christian Erichsen

and duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Stephen DiLorenzo, John Fraino, Benjamin A. Bragg
And Christian Erichsen

NOES: NONE

Resolution continued—

ABSENT Commissioner Alan Barone

The resolution is adopted 12th day of November by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Highland Fire District, Town of Lloyd, County of Ulster, State of New York.

Approval to purchase 3 Bay Sink for apparatus Bay St 1

MOTION: Commissioner Ben Bragg move to approve the purchase of the 3 Bay sink to replace the one in the apparatus bay at a cost of \$1400 at Dutchess Restaurant Supply, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE: 4 Aye 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried.

Authorization to permit alcohol at Hose Company Christmas Party

MOTION: Commissioner John Fraino move to permit alcohol at the Highland Hose Company #1 Christmas Party to be held on December 7, 2019, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried.

2020 Organizational Meeting- to be held on January 2, 2020 Thursday **Chief's Report-** continued chief Miller Arrived at 8:10 PM

Fire Prevention- 10/24 and 10/25/19 we hosted a Fire Prevention Event for 168 8th graders. This event included CPR and using a fire extinguisher. It was successful; this was a new approach to fire prevention instruction for them and the hands on was well-received.

Hazmat- pending a solution for those who could not attend.

New Ladder Truck- April-May 2020 construction period.

Air-Pack Re-cert 12/5/19

15. Executive Session-

MOTION: Commissioner Fraino moved to go to executive session to discuss the Employment history of a particular individual at 8:25 PM, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen.

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried.

16. Return to regular session and Adjournment-

MOTION: There being no further business, Commissioner Fraino moved to adjourn at 9:02 PM seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen .

VOTE: 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 1 Absent

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise A. Holzberger District Clerk