

Verdoy Fire District

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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Present were:

Commissioners Germaine (PG)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Counselor Terry Hannigan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	President Jasiewicz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Russell (PR)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Counselor Tim Hannigan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Secretary Vroman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Vroman (LV)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chief Politis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Treasurer Scimeca	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Bentley (PB)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chief Leonardo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Friedman (EF)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chief Carmichael	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call to Order:

- The September 27, 2018 Commissioners Meeting of the Verdoy Fire District was called to order at the Verdoy Fire Department by Commissioner GERMAINE at 7PM.

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Approve Minutes:

- Motion by PR and 2nd by LV to approve and waive the reading of minutes of the regular meeting held on August 23, 2018.

Correspondence:

- Association of Fire districts of Capital Area – Breakfast
- Notice from Verdoy Fire Association – New Member – Billy Rider
- Quotes to Replace MDP Circuit Breakers
 - R&J Telecom - \$6200
 - CDE Electric - \$6990
 - Ambrose Electric - \$9300
- Quotes for Audit (5 years)
 - Bryans & Gramuglia - \$6000
 - BST & Co. CPAs, LLP - \$6500
 - Marvin & Company - \$7750

Treasurer's Report:

- As of August 31, 2018, District Funds totaled \$1,058,135.48; Motion by LV 2nd by PB.
- Motion by PB and 2nd by LV to accept quote from Bryans & Gramuglia to be the Fire Districts Audit company for a period of 5 years.

Payment of Bills:

- Motion by LV, 2nd by PB, the Board approved payment of the vouchers as audited.

Commissioners:

Germaine

- No Report

Russell

- CT Male Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement #7 – Implementation of property maintenance plan recommendations (TABLED FROM AUGUST MEETING)
- Short Circuit Fault Condition and Corrective Action – 2 Quotes Received
- Brief discussion on the Unimac Dryer and Precor Treadmill in the bay – will try to find someone who wants them.
- Brief discussion on the status of lights in bay and lights in conference room – working with Goes Electric and RJ Telecom to get issues resolved.

Vroman

- Notice of Budget Hearing will be posted on the District Website and Town of Colonie Website as of 28 September 2018. Notice was also published in the Times Union on 5 October 2018.

Bentley

- Will obtain new License/Permit for the Kitchen
- Insurance was cancelled on the Drill House per request of Chief Leonardo

Friedman

- Lengthy discussion on response to Fire/EMS calls, ideas include (more to come):
 - Duty Crew
 - Combo Department
 - Paid Duty Crew
 - Alarm drops – Single Vehicle Response
 - Longer Term for Chiefs – **Chief Politis**
 - Short Term Solution for long term leadership – **Chief Politis**
 - Incentive programs – get paid to go to drills, calls, meetings – **Chief Politis**
 - Standby Credit for Duty Crew – **1 point for every 4 hrs**
- Will work with Chief Politis to come up with a strategy for going forward

Attorney Hannigan:

- Looking at around \$200/person for the Cancer Bill
- Suggested a Mandatory Referendum for a Capital Reserve Fund for Cancer Bill and hire a TPA to administer

President Jasiewicz:

- No Report

Report of Chiefs:

- **Chief Leonardo**
 - Recap of Waterford Tugboat event – 11 boats total were present
 - Boat 11 out of water October 1st. Will be acid washed for winter. Stored in station.
 - Recap of Drill House @ 928 Troy-Schenectady Rd
 - Request to bring 452 to Colonie Village FD for event – “Wet down for new fire truck” - **APPROVED**
 - Survey Monkey – members drill participation & duty crew questions
 - Recap of Airport Drill live fire training - Wednesday Sept 12th – 9 Members participated from Verdoy
 - Recap of Airport/FAA Triannual MCI drill - Saturday Sept 15th – 4 Members participated from Verdoy

- Battery issues with Squad 11. Vehicle was dead on several occasions. Will keep an eye on it and report any further issues at next meeting.
- Nicholas Caladim prohibited from responding/drills – reason is that he is 1yr and 2 months overdue for his dept. physical, unable to make contact with him. Letter was sent to the address we have on file.
- Sunday October 7th is FF of the Year banquet @ Elks club. *Request for funds below*
- Carpet cleaning – Did a terrible job in the Chief's office. Stains still there – Commissioner Bentley will reach out to Stanley Steamer.
- Donated old OOS fire hose to Colonie MTB & State Fire (16 lengths total). They are looking for nozzles for 2½ & 1¾ which we have extra in Mezzanine – **APPROVED TO DONATE.**
- Looking for approval to drill holes in the walls of the bathrooms to install new paper towel and soap dispensers – **APPROVED**
- Reminder that the Fire Prevention night is scheduled for Tuesday October 9th from 6pm to 8pm, help needed.
- **Chief Carmichael**
 - Requested approval of Billy Grider for membership pending the results of his physical and backgrounds checks
 - Looking to reward those who want to participate in the duty crew program either through LOSAP incentive; more to come on this.
 - October 6 from 9am to 2pm there is an Extrication Drill with Latham
 - October 13th is the “Nichols Strong” event in Cook park; starts at noon; request standby crew at the station.
- **Chief Politis**
 - Requested to have his dues for the International Association of Fire Chiefs paid for by the district – *see below for request*
 - Brief discussion on the IAFF Conference in Clearwater Florida from November 8-11, 2018– *see below for request*
 - Requested to take the Chiefs Car to the EMS conference in Western NY - **APPROVED**

Unfinished Business:

- None

New Business:

- Motion by **PR**, 2nd by **LV**, to accept the CT Male Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement #7-Implementation of property maintenance plan recommendations.
- Motion by **PR**, 2nd by **PB**, to spend up to \$6200 under account code .409 to cover the replacement of the MDP Circuit Breakers. (budgeted – Y or N)
- Motion by **LV**, 2nd by **PB**, to spend up to \$1,268 under account code .430 to cover the food for the Fire Fighter of the Year Dinner. (budgeted – Y or N)
- Motion by **LV**, 2nd by **PB**, to spend up to \$400 under account code .430 to cover the Beverages for the Fire Fighter of the Year Dinner. (budgeted – Y or N)
- Motion by **EF**, 2nd by **LV**, to spend up to \$7000 under account code .4031/.4032 to authorize up to 4 people to attend the IAFF conference November 8-11th, 2018 in Clearwater Florida. (budgeted – Y or N)
- Motion by **EF**, 2nd by **PB**, to accept new Association Member Billy Rider pending his physical and backgrounds checks come back acceptable. VOTE: PR – Aye, EF – Aye, LV – Nay, PG – Aye; PB – Aye; motion carried
- **Resolution 18-24 BE IT RESOLVED THAT PURSUANT TO SECION 176(23) OF THE TOWN LAW, THE VERDOY FIRE DISTRICT DOES HEREBY DECLARE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT IS NO LONGER NECESSARY FOR THE**

PURPOSE OF THE FIRE DISTRICT AND IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE VERDOY FIRE DISTRICT IS AUTHORIZED TO DISPOSE AND SELL THE UNIMAC DRYER, PRECOR TREADMILL, AND 2 NOZZLES WITH AN ESTIMATE VALUE OF LESS THAN \$20,000.00.

MOTION: PR

SECOND: PB

VOTE: PR – Aye, EF – Aye, LV – Aye, PG – Aye; PB – Aye; motion carried

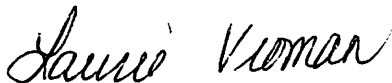
Adjournment:

- Motion made by **EF**, with a second from **LV**, to adjourn the meeting at **9:28pm**. *All in favor, motion carried.*

2018 Meeting Schedule (All meetings begin at 7:00pm unless otherwise noted):

- October 16 (Public Budget Hearing)
- October 25 (Regular Meeting)
- November 29 (Regular Meeting)
- December 11 (District Elections)
- December 20 (Regular Meeting)

Respectfully Submitted,



Laurie Vroman
Secretary