

RUSH FIRE DISTRICT, BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
1971 Rush-Mendon Road, Rush, New York 14543
Unapproved Minutes – May 21, 2019

Roll Call: Chairman Scott Goodman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: Commissioners Scott Goodman, Robert Faugh, Michael Terzo, Dale Sweet, Doug Platt, Treasurer Robert Kuhls (7:18 pm) and Secretary Colleen Statskey.

Representing the Rush Fire Department was 1st Assistant Chief Jon Faugh, Alvin Sweet and Andrew Socola.

REPORT FROM THE TOWN: Councilman Gerry Kusse reported that residents of the town have asked him if the Rush Fire Department/Rush EMS is knowledgeable about what to do if there is some type of situation present at the Horseshoe Solar Project site. The Fire Commissioners stated the utility company would take responsibility of taking care of the situation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes of April 16, 2019, were approved with a correction to remove the last sentence on page 1, *open house presentation will be held around September 29th by the energy company* under **REPORT FROM THE TOWN.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Dale Sweet, seconded by Commissioner Michael Terzo and approved 5-0 to accept the Minutes of April 16, 2019, with a correction to remove the last sentence on page 1, *open house presentation will be held around September 29th by the energy company* under **REPORT FROM THE TOWN.**

AREAS OF CONCERN:

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

FIRE MARSHAL: No report.

NEW EQUIPMENT: No report.

TRAINING: 1st Assistant Chief Jon Faugh reported training is ongoing and Commissioner Robert Faugh indicated all members up to date on OSHA. Commissioner Michael Terzo will be attending Tech Conference in Oriskany. The NYS AFC Convention Show will be in Syracuse on June 14, 2019 and June 15, 2019.

HOUSE #1: Commissioner Dale Sweet reported the siren tower is leaking during a hard northeast rain and Commissioner Michael Terzo will call Roth tomorrow to inspect it. Commissioner Michael Terzo will contact Pipetone to look at the split duct system in the radio room.

Andrew Socola reported 2 fire extinguishers inspections are expired. Commissioner Dale Sweet gave Andrew Socola the contact and phone number for the fire extinguisher inspection. Commissioner Dale Sweet discussed having the arborvitaes trimmed or removed on the side of the building.

HOUSE #2: No report.

VEHICLE & EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE: Commissioner Michael Terzo reported the door on 589 will be fixed. Har-Rob checking on parts for the extended gun on 582. Commissioner Michael Terzo stated that 3 hours of labor for 588 has been removed from the bill. Commissioner Dale Sweet and 1st Assistant Chief Jon Faugh reported 583 right rear tail board has been tipped up.

SAFETY/OSHA: No report.

PHYSICALS: Secretary Colleen Statskey stated Harish Thaya needs a firefighter physical. 1st Assistant Chief Jon Faugh will contact Training Officer Kevin Smith regarding Harish Thaya and his required physical.

PHYSICAL FITNESS: Commissioner Dale Sweet has not yet been able to connect with the Rush resident on Thunder Ridge who may do physical fitness testing.

EMS, 911, STREET DIRECTORY: Commissioner Robert Faugh received a letter from the Chairman of MLREMS thanking everyone and forwarded it to all.

INVENTORY, INSPECTION & INSPECTION DINNER: No report.

LEGISLATION: Commissioner Robert Faugh discussed the proposal for exempt volunteer fire department/EMS members from state income tax if they respond to 55% of the calls at their department.

INSURANCE AND GROUP LIFE INSURANCE: Treasurer Robert Kuhls reported he obtained the benefit application form for Jim Bucci. A portion of the application will need to be completed by Pamela Bucci. Treasurer Robert Kuhls will add William Stanton, Jennifer Krenzer and Laurie Schreiber. Commissioner Dale Sweet will contact Gary Wilkins regarding the rebate check for \$185.00. Commissioner Dale Sweet spoke with Gary Wilkins regarding The Cancer coverage. All disability and deceased member application forms have been obtained. Secretary Colleen Statskey will maintain the application forms at the district.

MEMBERSHIP: Luke Keyes, 95 Keyes Road, Honeoye Falls, NY 14472, new membership application has been approved. Secretary Colleen Statskey will complete the background check.

A motion made by Commissioner Dale Sweet, seconded by Commissioner Robert Faugh, and approved 5 to 0 to approve new membership application Luke Keyes pending background check.

The new member application was requested at the Open House.

Commissioner Scott Goodman reported a letter received from Catherine Henry requesting firefighter status to be changed from interior to exterior.

PUBLICITY: Commissioner Robert Faugh discussed his submission to the Rush Town Newsletter. Commissioner Robert Faugh commented on the thousands of comments, shares, and hits, etc. on the Rush Fire Department Facebook regarding the loss of Chief James J. Bucci, Jr. Commissioner Michael Terzo reported Deputy Chief George Bassler, at the New Swift Water Training Center in Oriskany, NY, will have a memorial plaque made for Chief James J. Bucci, Jr. Councilman Gerry Kusse asked if the Rush Town Board could assist with recruitment for the Rush Fire Department/EMS.

BILLS:

MAY 2019 –
INVOICES -
GENERAL FUND
ACCOUNT

Voucher	Account Code.	GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT Disbursement Account	Name of Vendor and Description	Invoice Amount
2019-115	34.424	Data Line	Time Warner Cable – Data Line Sta. 1	\$31.95
	34.464	Utilities	Time Warner Cable – Telephone Sta. 1	206.67
2019-116	34.428	EMS Charting	emsCharts, Inc. - EMS Charts	113.00
2019-117	34.464	Utilities	Verizon – Cellular phones	531.46
2019-118	34.461a	Utilities	RG&E – Gas Service Sta. 1	574.90
	34.461b	Utilities	RG&E – Gas Service Sta. 2	71.70
2019-119	34.462a	Utilities	National Grid – Electric Service Sta. 1	376.27
	34.462b	Utilities	National Grid – Electric Service Sta. 2	45.69
2019-120	34.451n	Maintenance Facilities	Coakley Disposal Service, Inc.- Waste removal (May)	44.00
2019-121	34.426	Copier Lease/Repl Maintenance	LEAF – Copier lease	124.86
2019-122	34.451b	Facilities Maintenance	M&T Bank – Weider's Hdwre (Lock)	15.99
	34.451a	Facilities	M&T Bank – BJ's (cleaning supplies batteries)	54.96
2019-123	34.431	Meeting Expense	Monroe County Fire District Officers Assoc. - Meeting expense (2 members)	64.00
2019-124	3410.27	EMS Supplies	Jackson Welding & Gas Products – EMS Supplies & 1 yr lease	79.41
2019-125	34.451b	Maintenance Facilities	Morico Floor Cleaning Systems, Inc. - Floor Cleaning Sta1	200.00
2019-126	34.447	Communications	Monroe County Public Safety Commission – Digital pagers	174.00
2019-127	34.471	Equipment Fuel	Town of Rush Highway Department – Equipment fuel12/13/18 to4/16/19	860.27
2019-129	34.443c	Gas Detector Divices	DiVal Safety Equipment, Inc. - Cal gas detector	141.75
2019-129	34.426	Copier Lease/Repl	Duplicating Consultants, Inc. -1083 color printed copies	97.47
2019-9089.8		Benefits	Health Works – FF Physicals (T. Grillo & L.Keyes) Hep#2 (Princehorn)	712.50

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2019-131	9088.8	Benefits	VESO Life – Group Life Ins. Perm (June)	574.08
2019-132	34.451c	Maintenance Facilities	Pipitone Enterprises, LLC – Preventive Maintenance (Visit #1)	590.00
2019-133	34.465	Utilities	Verizon – Cellular phones	531.46
2019-134	34.451f	Maintenance Facilities	James Princehorn - Parts for Manpower Status Monitor	23.57
2019-135	34.433	Uniforms	Uniform Express of Rochester, Inc.- 1 red KAP shirt & 40 prs Morning glove	70.00
2019-136	34.463a	Utilities	Monroe County Water Authority – Water Service Sta.1	87.17
	34.463b	Utilities	Monroe County Water Authority – Water Service Sta.2	90.24
2019-137	34.441j	Fire Vehicles	Gorman Enterprises – Replaced both roller assemblies on roll up Door A589	149.39
2019-138	34.441b	Fire Vehicles	Honeoye Falls NAPA – Elbow connector & clamps (P583 washer)	6.18
TOTAL				\$6,642.94

Following a final review of the May 2019 General Fund Invoices, Vouchers #2019-115 through #2019-138, Commissioner Dale Sweet made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Scott Goodman and approved 5 to 0 to pay the vouchers in the amount of \$6,642.94.

The vouchers were reviewed by Commissioner Dale Sweet and Commissioner Robert Faugh.

MCFDOA: Treasurer Robert Kuhls reported no meeting for May, 2019. The next meeting will be in Ridge-Culver Fire House in June, 2019.

LONG RANGE PLANNING: The Fire Commissioners discussed the suggestion of an engineer study on House #1.

STATE SCHOOL AT INDUSTRY: No report.

PLANNING BOARD: The Fire Commissioners discussed planning board application 2019-01P, Stephen Leone, E. River Road, Perry Hill Estates. The Board has no issues or concerns with this application. Secretary Colleen Statskey will send a letter to the Planning Board.

Councilman Gerry Kusse announced tomorrow evening there will be a town meeting discussion regarding the property at 5330 East Henrietta Road.

LEHIGH TRAIL/MONROE COUNTY PARKS: None.

PERSONNEL RELATIONS: No report.

PROCEDURES AND OPERATIONS: Commissioner Scott Goodman passed out the DRAFT Rush Fire District Foil Policy. Secretary Colleen Statskey will send out the DRAFT Foil Policy to all members to review. The Fire Commissioners discussed the

DRAFT Social Media Version II Policy at length. The approval of the DRAFT Social Media Version II Policy will be discussed next month.

INFORMATION SYSTEMS: Commissioner Michael Terzo discussed two new boards. One at House#2 with Bricks and another above the radio room so the drivers can see. Commissioner Scott Goodman discussed the quotes he obtained for the Rush Fire District new website.

A motion made by Commissioner Michael Terzo, seconded by Commissioner Doug Platt, and approved 5 to 0, to accept the proposal in the amount of \$1200.00 by 6x6 Design, to update the Rush Fire District New Website.

APPARATUS: No report.

OLD BUSINESS: Treasurer Robert Kuhls discussed the audit inventory is upcoming and Commissioner Michael Terzo will be present to assist. Treasurer Robert Kuhls discussed the fax machine is not printing correctly. A full Treasurer's Report cannot be handed out for April, 2019, due to an incorrect entry done by Secretary Colleen Statskey back in February, 2019. Treasurer Robert Kuhls will contact Tom Zuber to help with the assistance in correcting this error. Bernard P. Donegan, Inc. has moved to Woodcliff Office Park, Victor, NY.

Commissioner Michael Terzo reported the new trunked radios are paid for. Commissioner Michael Terzo is setting up a time for Skywave Communications to come out with the 11 portables for the officers and the trucks need to be scheduled also. Skywave Communications is very busy at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Michael Terzo would like to set aside a pager in memory of Chief James J. Bucci, Jr.

A motion made by Commissioner Michael Terzo, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet, and approved 5 to 0, to set aside a pager in memory of Chief James J. Bucci, Jr.

A copy of page 5 of the Board of Rush Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes May 21, 2019, to be sent to the Bucci Family by Secretary Colleen Statskey regarding the pager in memory of Chief James J. Bucci, Jr.

Commissioner Michael Terzo requested thank you letters be sent to The Henrietta Fire District and Chief Reg Allen, CHS for their outstanding assistance with the viewing and funeral for Chief James J. Bucci, Jr. Secretary Colleen Statskey will send out the thank you letters.

A motion made by Commissioner Michael Terzo, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet, and approved 5 to 0 to approve the thank you letters to the Henrietta Fire District and Chief Reg Allen, CHS.

Commissioner Scott Goodman will contact Peter J. Weishaar, Attorney, regarding the three Chief positions and how to move forward.

A motion made by Commissioner Dale Sweet, seconded by Commissioner Doug Platt, and approved 5 to 0, to appoint 1st Assistant Jon Faugh to acting Fire Chief Position.

A motion made by Commissioner Robert Faugh, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet and approved 5 to 0, to send a thank you letter to the Ladies Auxiliary for the planting of flowers.

Secretary Colleen Statskey to send a thank you letter for the planting of flowers to the Ladies Auxiliary.

Commissioner Michael Terzo made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Doug Platt and approved 5 to 0 to end the meeting. The meeting was adjourned by common consent at 8:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Statskey
District Secretary