

**RUSH FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
1971 Rush-Mendon Road, Rush, New York 14543
Unapproved Minutes – October 15, 2019**

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

Present: Commissioners Scott Goodman, Robert Faugh, Michael Terzo (7:41 pm) Dale Sweet, Treasurer Robert Kuhls and Secretary Colleen Statskey.

Representing the Rush Fire Department was Chief Jon Faugh, Assistant Chief Sean Brown, Firefighters Kevin Smith and James Princehorn.

Absent: Commissioner Doug Platt.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Chairman Scott Goodman read the following notice:

1. This is a public hearing regarding the 2020 proposed budget. In accordance with New York State Town law Section 181(3), all Fire Districts must, prior to the adoption of their budget, hold a public hearing on their budget. This budget hearing must be held in such a manner to maximize participation in the budget process. The purpose of this hearing is to discuss the contents of the budget.
2. The Secretary of the Fire District has filed with this district an affidavit stating that:
 - a. the notice of this public hearing was posted at least 5 days before the date specified for the hearing in the Henrietta Post, the official newspaper of the fire district;
 - b. notice was posted on the official signboard of the Town where the district is located;
 - c. and posted on the Town website where the district is located.
3. The notice of public hearing specifies the time, date and place where the public hearing will be held.
4. The Fire District Secretary also made available for inspection, at least five days before the public hearing, by any interested person, copies of the proposed budget.
5. The purpose of this public hearing is to allow members of the public to make comments on the budget. Any person may be heard in favor of, or against, the preliminary budget or any item in it. Please note that this is only a proposed budget until the Board of Fire Commissioners adopts the final budget.

6. Prior to the public comment, a portion of this budget hearing will be set to hear from the Fire District Treasurer, Robert Kuhls, who will make a brief presentation about the preliminary budget to the Board of Fire Commissioners and members of the public who are present. The Fire District Treasurer will submit the proposed budget to the Board of Fire Commissioners and members of the public who are here this evening.

PROPOSED BUDGET – presented by Treasurer Robert Kuhls:

Treasurer Robert Kuhls made a brief summary of the proposed budget.

Chairman Scott Goodman stated that the public comment period begin and any persons present wishing to be heard on the proposed budget to come forward and state whether or not they were in favor or against the proposed budget or any item in it. Chairman Goodman requested that if anyone wished to address the Board on the proposed budget, to please come forward.

Being no other questions from the public or commissioners, Chairman Scott Goodman declared the public hearing closed at 7:09 PM.

A motion made by Commissioner Robert Faugh, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet and approved 3-0 to close the public hearing on the proposed 2020 budget.

TOWN REPORT: No report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes of the September 17, 2019, were approved with a correction under **VEHICLE, EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE** *to read 582 and 584 tires were filled not 588.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Scott Goodman, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet and approved 3-0 to accept the Minutes of September 17, 2019, with a correction under VEHICLE, EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE to read 582 and 584 tires were filled not 588.

AREAS OF CONCERN:

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

FIRE MARSHAL: No report.

TRAINING: Assistant Sean Brown reported bailout completed. A make-up will be scheduled. Chief Jon Faugh discussed a presentation that was given by Vigilant Fire Service Training. A quote for a total of \$4124.00 based on last year price was discussed at length for a year's worth of instruction/curriculum based on NY State's Best Practices.

A motion made by Commissioner Robert Faugh, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet and approved 3-0 to purchase the Vigilant Fire Service Training for a total of \$4124.00.

NEW EQUIPMENT: No report.

HOUSE #1: Commissioner Robert Faugh will have the cracked kitchen window replaced. Commissioner Dale Sweet discussed George Eiff Lawn and Property Maintenance will move the arborvitae bushes to House#2 to fill in the empty space for the neighbors for privacy. The other landscaping along the sidewalk will be trimmed and cleaned up. Commissioner Dale Sweet reported new filters for the hood system in the kitchen will be replaced.

HOUSE #2: Commissioner Dale Sweet reported George Eiff Lawn and Property Maintenance will remove the weeds and the old landscaping. Commissioner Scott Goodman reported the generator was full of ants. Commissioner Robert Faugh will take care of the ants. Chief Jon Faugh cleaned the gutters.

VEHICLE & EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE: Commissioner Robert Faugh reported NY State Inspections will be completed on 582, 584, and 588. Commissioner Dale Sweet reported pump tests and maintenance will be completed the beginning of November. Commissioner Dale Sweet reported Churchville will drop off the saw on 582. Commissioner Robert Faugh reported hose on 583 should be ready for pick up at Churchville. Commissioner Dale Sweet reported the cutters edge saw is not running correctly. (Commissioner Michael Terzo arrived).

SAFETY/OSHA/NFPA: No report.

PHYSICALS: Commissioner Doug Platt will contact Healthworks for a physical date and times in February, 2020.

PHYSICAL FITNESS: No report.

EMS, 911, STREET DIRECTORY: Firefighter James Princehorn asked the Fire Commissioners for an updated Street Directory. Secretary Colleen Statskey will send a letter to the Rush Town Clerk requesting an updated Street Directory.

INVENTORY, INSPECTION & INSPECTION DINNER: The inspection dinner will begin at 5:00 PM and dinner at 7:00 PM at the Riverton Country Club on November 9, 2019.

LEGISLATION: No report.

INSURANCE AND GROUP LIFE INSURANCE: Robert Kuhls reported Tim Lincourt and Beverly Smith has been removed. Commissioner Dale Sweet discussed the Sexual Abuse/Molestation form and training. Commissioner Dale Sweet spoke with

Gary Wilkins requesting specific training that is required. Commissioner Dale Sweet has requested numerous times what the specific required training entails. No itemized bills were received from Marisa Scott for her injury in April, 2018. Secretary Colleen Statskey will send a letter to Marisa Scott requesting the itemized bills and reimbursement that is entitled.

MEMBERSHIP: No new members at this time.

PUBLICITY: Commissioner Robert Faugh reported his submission to the Rush Town Newsletter.

BILLS:

2019 – INVOICES		GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT			
OCTOBER 2019 – INVOICES	GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT	Account Code.	Disbursement Account	Name of Vendor and Description	Invoice Amount
2019-237	34.424	Data Line	Time Warner Cab;e – Data Line (Sta. 1)		\$31.95
	34.464	Utilities	Time Warner Cab;e – Telephones (Sta, 1)		218.15
2019-238	34.464	Utilities	Time Warner Cab;e – Data Line (Sta. 2)		166.98
2019-239	34.462a	Utilities	National Grid – Electric Sta. 1		484.73
	34.462b	Utilities	National Grid – Electric Sta. 2		46.80
2019-340	3410.1	Personnel Services	Colleen Statskey – Secretary salary 3 rd Qtr period 2019		1168.50
2019-341	3410	Personnel Services	Robert M. Kuhls – Treasurer salary 3 rd Qtr period 2019		1211.25
2019-242	34.462c	Utilities	Monroe County Water Authority – 4 inch fire service line (Sta.1)		55.00
2019-243	34.451n	Maintenance Facilities	Coakley Disposal Service, Inc. - Waste removal (Oct)		44.00
2014-244	34.426	Copier Repl/Lease	LEAF -Copier lease		124.86
2014-245	34.432b	Training	M & T Bank – Health Reserach Ins. (A Socola)		225.00
	34.411	Gen Office Expense	M & T Bank – Staples		55.99
	34.452f	Maintenance Facilities	M & T Bank – Weider's Hardware		14.58
2019-246	34.451b	Maintenance Facilities	Morico Floor Cleaning Systems, Inc – Floor cleaning Sta.1 (Sept)		200.00
2019-247	3410.3	EMS Supplies	Jackson Welding & Gas Products – EMS supply		26.42
			Monroe County Fire District Officers Association – Meeting expense 9/19/19		180.00
2019-248	34.431	Meeting Expense	Uniform Express of Rochester, Inc. - Uniform items (Chief Faugh & Brown)		89.98
2019-249	34.433	Uniforms	DiVal Safety Equipment – SCBA Inspection		3287.77
2019-250	34.442c	SCBA Personnel Protective Equip	DiVal Safety Equipment – 60 Vantage usb		4560.00
2019-251	34.442d	Equip	Pipitone Enterprises, LLC – Preventive maintenance Sta.1 (HVAC)		400.00
2019-252	34.451c	Maintenance Facilities	Pipitone Enterprises, LLC – Preventive maintenance Sta.2 (HVAC)		190.00
	34.452c	Maintenance Facilities	Churchville Fire Equipment – 1 pr steel toe shoes		135.00
2019-253	34.442d	Personal Protective Equip	Monroe County Public Safety Communication – Digital pager service		90.00
2019-254	34.447	Communications	Doyle Security Systems, Inc. - Service call, repair function 2 panic bars		117.15
2019-255	34.451f	Maintenance Facilities	Jim's Service – Check exhaust leak & repair (P583)		445.95
2019-256	34.41b	Fire Vehicles	Messenger Post Media – Legal notice budget hearing		77.77
2019-257	34.411	Gen Office Expense	Jenna Cirincione – Replaced oil cap (A589)		8.34
2019-258	34.441j	Fire Vehicles	VESO Life – Group Life Ins. Prem. (Nov 19)		588.88
2019-259	9088.8	Benefits	Health Work – FF physical (M. Terzo) Vaccinations (J. Princehorn)		393.25
2019-260	9089.8	Benefits	RG&E – Gas service Sta.1		95.02
2019-261	34.61a	Utilities			

	34.461b	Utilities	RG&E – Gas service Sta.2	24.24
2019-262	34.422c	SCBA	DiVal Safety Equipment – 8 Scott 30 minuite cylinders	3920.00
2019-263	34.411	Gen Office Expense	Williamson Law Book Co. - 500 claim vouchers	71.97
			TOTAL	\$18,749.53

Following a final review of the October 2019 General Fund Invoices, Vouchers #2019-237 through #2019-263 Commissioner Dale Sweet made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Scott Goodman and approved 4-0 to pay the vouchers in the amount of \$18,749.53.

Commissioner Robert Faugh and Commissioner Dale Sweet reviewed the vouchers.

Commissioner Robert Faugh reported a large decrease in the electric bills due to the new LED lighting.

MCFDOA: Treasurer Robert Kuhls reported no meeting will be held in October. The next meeting will be November 21, 2019, at Ridge Road Fire District. The Treasurers Report for September, 2019, was handed out.

LONG RANGE PLANNING: The Adopted Rush Fire District 2020 Final Budget will be given to the Rush Town Clerk.

STATE SCHOOL AT INDUSTRY: No report.

PLANNING/ZONING BOARD: No applications.

PERSONNEL RELATIONS: No report.

PROCEDURES AND OPERATIONS: No report.

INFORMATION SYSTEMS:

APPARATUS: No report.

OLD BUSINESS: The Annual Backflow Prevention Test needs to be completed by October 31, 2019. Secretary Colleen Statskey will contact Miller Plumbing for the Annual Backflow Prevention Test.

NEW BUSINESS: Chief Jon Faugh discussed the Chief’s Nominations for Members Who Live outside the Rush Fire District. This was discussed at length with the Fire Commissioners.

A resolution made by Commissioner Robert Faugh to amend the Chief’s Nominations for Members Who Live Outside the Rush Fire District to allow one person outside the Rush Fire District to qualify for Chief Office position.

A motion made by Commissioner Robert Faugh, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet and approved 3-0 to amend the Chief's Nominations for Members Who Live outside the Rush Fire District to allow one person outside the Rush Fire District to qualify for Chief Office position, abstained by Commissioner Michael Terzo.

Commissioner Scott Goodman reviewed the new proposed Pipitone Enterprises, LLC 2020 contract.

A motion made by Commissioner Michael Terzo, seconded by Commissioner Robert Faugh and approved 4-0 to approve the 2020 Pipitone Enterprises, LLC Contract.

Commissioner's Election: The Commissioners discussed the 2020 Commissioner's Election.

Chairman Robert Faugh offered the following resolution to appoint the Board of Elections.

WHEREAS, Section 175-a of the Town Law provides for a system of registration for Fire District elections; and

WHEREAS, a register of eligible Fire District voters must be prepared prior to the Fire District elections; and

WHEREAS, such register shall be prepared from names of persons who have registered with the County Board of Elections;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following resident electors of the Rush Fire District are hereby appointed to constitute the Rush Fire District Board of Elections for the 2020 Annual Fire District election:

Chairman:	Alice Hoh
Ballot Clerk:	Conchetta Platt
Election Inspector:	Mary Ann Jakubowicz

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson, Election Inspector, and Ballot Clerk be compensated in the amount of \$30.00 each for their services in preparing the registration records and attendance at the annual election;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in case any of the members appointed herein are unable to assume or perform the duties required of them, this Board of Fire Commissioners will appoint alternates who are resident electors;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, if clerical help is deemed necessary, the Board of Fire Commissioners will consider the appointment of such clerical persons upon request of the Chairperson of the Fire District Board of Elections;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Annual Election for Fire

Commissioner will take place on Tuesday, December 10, 2019, between the hours of 6 PM to 9 PM at the Rush Fire Station, located at 1971 Rush-Mendon Road, Rush, New York.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Michael Terzo, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet and approved 4-0 to hold the Rush Fire Commissioner's Election on Tuesday, December 10, 2019, from 6 to 9 PM at the Rush Fire Station located at 1971 Rush-Mendon Road, Rush, New York.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dale Sweet, seconded by Commissioner Robert Faugh and approved 4-0 to adopt the Rush Fire District 2020 Final Budget of \$360,299.

Room Rentals:

Boy Scout Troop #134 would like to use the large meeting room on Thursdays from 6:30 – 8:30 pm, for den meetings. Dates listed below:

October 10
November 7
November 14
December 5
January 9
January 23
January 30
February 6
February 27
March 5
March 12
March 29
April 2

A motion made by Commissioner Michael Terzo, seconded by Commissioner Robert Faugh, and approved 4-0 the use of the large meeting room on the dates listed above for den meetings.

Kevin Smith would like to use the large meeting room on November 2, 2019, from 12:30-4:30 pm for a children's party.

A motion made by Commissioner Robert Faugh, seconded by Commissioner Michael Terzo, and approved 4-0 the use of the large meeting room on November 2, 2019, from 12:30-4:30 pm for a children's party.

The Red Cross would like to use the large meeting room on January 8, 2020 for the Annual Blood Drive from 12:00 PM to 8 PM.

A motion made by Commissioner Robert Faugh, seconded by Commissioner Michael Terzo, and approved 4-0 the use of the large meeting room on January 8, 2020, for the Annual Blood Drive from 12:00 PM to 8 PM.

Commissioner Michael Terzo, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet and approved 4 to 0 to close the meeting. It was adjourned by common consent at 8:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Statskey
District Secretary