

**RUSH FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
1971 Rush-Mendon Road, Rush, New York 14543
Unapproved Minutes – October 20, 2020**

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, Michael Terzo, Dale Sweet, Treasurer Robert Kuhls and Secretary Colleen Statskey.

Representing the Rush Fire Department was Chief Jon Faugh, 1st Assistant Chief Sean Brown, Firefighters James Princehorn and Alvin Sweet.

Absent: Commissioner Doug Platt and Commissioner Robert Faugh.

Present from the Town: Councilman Dan Woolaver.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Chairman Scott Goodman read the following notice:

1. This is a public hearing regarding the 2021 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 7:18 PM.

A motion made by Commissioner Scott Goodman, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet and approved 3-0 to close the public hearing on the proposed 2021 budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Michael Terzo, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet and approved 3-0 to adopt the Rush Fire District 2021 Final Budget of \$369,653.

TOWN REPORT: No report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes of the September 15, 2020, were approved as written.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dale Sweet, seconded by Commissioner Michael Terzo and approved 3-0 to accept the Minutes of September 15, 2020, as written.

AREAS OF CONCERN:

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

FIRE MARSHAL: Commissioner Michael Terzo will contact Fire Marshal Rick Tracy to find out if the Weaver Property located on Roswell Lane has public water connection.

Chief Jon Faugh reported himself, Fire Marshal Rick Tracy and a representative from the Town discussed with the new resident on Madelyn's Way where an easy access driveway should be located.

TRAINING: 1st Assistant Sean Brown reported bailout completed with a good turnout.

NEW EQUIPMENT: Commissioner Michael Terzo reported the CO personnel meters were replaced on the ambulance, all the trucks and duty EMS bag. Commissioner Dale Sweet has quotes for new manifolds for 583 and 584. Commissioner Dale Sweet discussed the maverick tool and pressure fans. Commissioner Michael Terzo purchased new bailout rope.

HOUSE #1: Commissioner Michael Terzo reported water leak in the ceiling is due to the fitting inside the unit for the drip pan is broke for the roof drain. The kitchen circulating pump has been rebuilt and replaced. The faucets have been rebuilt. The urinal in the men's room has been repaired. Commissioner Michael Terzo reported the key fob project has been started and Firefighter James Princehorn has been a tremendous help. Commissioner Michael Terzo reported General Security, TSG Security and Stanley vendors were given the BIDS. The walk through was completed and discussed by Firefighter James Princehorn. Commissioner Michael Terzo stated the generator would not start. Firefighter James Princehorn purchased a new battery for the generator. It is now working. Commissioner Dale Sweet reported the septic alarm in mid-September was on due to the men's urinal running. The tank was full, clean water in the grass, and the floats were tangled. No issues since then. A work detail needs to be scheduled. Firefighters James Princehorn and Bruce Hall scrubbed the floors of the truck bay the day of the clam bake.

HOUSE #2: Commissioner Michael Terzo will contact George Eiff Lawn and Property Maintenance regarding the arborvitaes. The gutters will need to be cleaned.

VEHICLE & EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE: Commissioner Michael Terzo contacted Har-Rob for the leak in the tank fill line. The trucks need to be inspected.

SAFETY/OSHA/NFPA: No report.

PHYSICALS: Commissioner Doug Platt will contact Healthworks for a physical date and times in February, 2021.

PHYSICAL FITNESS: No report.

EMS, 911, STREET DIRECTORY: 1st Assistant Chief Sean Brown reported Strong Memorial and Rochester Regional Health report to Dr. Jeremy Cushman the new LVAD discharge patients. Dr. Cushman will give the names of the patients to 911 Call Center.

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 14, 2020.

LEGISLATION: No report.

INSURANCE AND GROUP LIFE INSURANCE: Commissioner Dale Sweet reported he has 30 member applications filled out with beneficiary information updated. Commissioner Dale Sweet is working on the cancer insurance application forms now.

MEMBERSHIP: No new members at this time.

PUBLICITY: No report.

OCTOBER 2020 – INVOICES – GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Voucher	Account Code	Disbursement Account	Name of Vendor and Description	Invoice Amount
2020-236	general	Utilities	Verizon – Cellular phones	\$564.03
2020-237	34.424	Utilities	Time Warner Cable – Data Line Sta. 1	31.95
	34.464	Utilities	Time Warner Cable – Telephone Sta.1	220.05
2020-238	34.46+4	Utilities	Time Warner Cable – Telephone Sta. 2	167.72
2020-239	3410.1	Personnel Services	Colleen Statskey – 3qtr Salary (July-Sept)	1235.00
2020-240	3410.1	Personnel Services	Robeert M. Kuhls – 3 qtr Salary (July-Sept)	1180.66
2020-241	34.462a	Utilities	National Grid -Electric Sta. 1	450.77
	34.462b	Utilities	National Grid -Electric Sta. 2	46.71
2020-242	34.451n	Maintenance Facilities	Coakley Disposal Service, Inc. - Waste removal (Oct)	44.00
2020-243	34.463c	Utilities	Monroe County Water Authority – 4 inch fire service line (Sta. 1)	55.00
2020-244	34.426	Copier Repl/Lease	LEAF – Copier lease	124.86
2020-245	34.441j	Fire Vehicles	Lewis General Tires, Inc. - 2 tires for A589	522.68
2020-246	34.451b	Maintenance Facilities	Morico Floor Cleaning Systems, Inc.- Floor cleaning Sta. 1 (Sept)	200.00
2020-247	34.432b	Training	M&T Bank – Lowes (Materials)	113.25
	3410.2	Computer Peripherals	M&T Bank – Ink Technologies	115.00
	34.451a	Maintenance Facilities	M&T Bank – Lowes (Thermostat guards)	99.90
2020-248	3410.3	EMS Supplies	Jackson Welding&Gas Products – EMS Supplies	27.50
2020-249	34.433	Uniforms	Uniform Express of Rochester, Inc. - EMS pants (S. MscDaniels)	59.95
2020-250	34.411	General Office Expense	Intelli Corp Records, Inc. - Background check (S. McDaniels)	19.06
2020-251	34.443c	Gas Detector/testing	DiVal Safety Equipment, Inc. - 3 Scott Protege CO meter	382.50
2020-252	34.442c	SCBA Personal	DiVal Safety Equipment, Inc. - SCBA Mainst &supplies	2108.17
2020.25	34.442d	Protective Equip	DiVal Safety Equipment, Inc. - 4 prs. Boots	1102.72
2020-254	34.442c	SCBA	DiVal Safety Equipment, Inc. - Hydro test SCBA	374.00
2020-255	34.441e	Fire Vehicles	Victor Power Equipment Co. LLC – Mainstenance of chain saw (R588)	53.92
2020-256	34.441e	Fire Vehicles	Honeoye Falls NAPA – Head lite R588	13.49
	34.442e	Hand Tools	Honeoye Falls NAPA – Floor DeGreaser (Sta.1)	33.98

	34.441e	Fire Vehicles Maintenance	Honeoye Falls NAPA – Items for chain saw (R588)	19.96
2020-257	34.451f	Facilities	Pipitone Enterprises, LLC – Boiler Pump repairs (Sta. 1)	2449.27
2020-258	34.461a	Utilities	RG&E – Gas service Sta.1	0
	34.462b	Utilities	RG&E – Gas service Sta.2	35.82
2020-259	34.428	EMS Charting	EmsCharts – EMS charts	113.00
2020-260	34.447	Communications Professional	Monroe County Public Safety Communications – Digital pagers	195.00
2020-261	34.491	Services	McConville Considine Cooman & Morin PC – Professional Servoces to 10/9/20	730.00
2020-262	34.443c	Gas Detector/testing General Office	DiVal Safety Equipment, Inc. - 1 Scott Protege co meter	124.95
2020-263	34.411	Expense	Messenger Post Media – Legal notices Budget hearing, Bid notice	240.44
2020-264	34.465	Utilities	Verizon – Cellular phones	564.13
			TOTAL	\$13,819.44

BILLS:

Following a final review of the October 2020 General Fund Invoices, Vouchers #2020-236 through #2020-264 Commissioner Michael Terzo made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet and approved 3-0 to pay the vouchers in the amount of \$13,819.44.

Commissioner Scott Goodman, Commissioner Dale Sweet and Commissioner Michael Terzo reviewed the vouchers.

Treasurer Robert Kuhls stated the interest rate on the Captial Reserve Funds CD's are less than 1%. Treasurer Robert Kuhls contacted 3 different banks. Treasurer Robert Kuhls will investigate reinvesting the CD's.

MCFDOA: Treasurer Robert Kuhls reported no meetings will be held for the rest of the year due to the pandemic.

LONG RANGE PLANNING: The Adopted Rush Fire District 2021 Final Budget will be given to the Rush Town Clerk.

STATE SCHOOL AT INDUSTRY: No report.

PLANNING/ZONING BOARD: The Fire Commissioners reviewed Zoning Application 2020-10Z, 6666 Rush Lima Road. The Fire Commissioners have no issues or concerns with this application. Secretary Colleen Statskey will send a letter to the Zoning Board.

The Fire Commissioners reviewed Planning Application 2020-14P, 517 Rush West Rush Rd. The Fire Commissioners do have a concern with the actual address and driveway access for the property. It is suggested that West Henrietta Road be the actual address. Secretary Colleen Statskey will send a letter to the Planning Board addressing the concern and suggestion.

PERSONNEL RELATIONS: Commissioner Michael Terzo reported there is a concern for members racing to the scene in their own personal vehicles. There is also an \$8,000.00 portable radio that is missing. Commissioner Dale Sweet will contact the insurance company to see if there is coverage for the missing radio.

PROCEDURES AND OPERATIONS: Commissioner Michael Terzo asked if there have been any Safety Committee meetings lately. There have not.

INFORMATION SYSTEMS: Commissioner Michael Terzo stated the county will be providing MDT's. The tablets we have now will work with the MDT's. Commissioner Michael Terzo indicated a COVID survey should be filled out by the Chief's via an email.

APPARATUS: No report.

OLD BUSINESS: The Annual Backflow Prevention Test needs to be completed by October 31, 2020. Commissioner Michael Terzo will contact Miller Plumbing for the Annual Backflow Prevention Test.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Scott Goodman would like to set up a WB Mason account, on state bid, for purchasing a cleaning cart, sanitizing supplies, recycling containers and garbage cans.

Commissioner's Election: The Commissioners discussed the 2021 Commissioner's Election.

Chairman Scott Goodman 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 2021 Annual Fire District election:

Chairman:	Conchetta Platt
Ballot Clerk:	Stephanie Anderson
Election Inspector:	Mary Ann Jakubowicz

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson, Election Inspector, and Ballot Clerk be compensated in the amount of \$42.00 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 8, 2020, 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 3-0 to hold the Rush Fire Commissioner’s Election on Tuesday, December 8, 2020, from 6 to 9 PM at the Rush Fire Station located at 1971 Rush–Mendon Road, Rush, New York.

Room Rentals:

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

10/22

10/29

11/5

11/12

11/19

12/3

12/10

12/17

2021

1/7

1/14

1/21

1/28

2/4

2/11

2/25

3/4

3/11

3/18

3/25

4/8
4/15
4/22
4/29

A motion made by Commissioner Michael Terzo, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet, and approved 3-0 the use of the large meeting room on the dates listed above for den meetings.

Diana Pfersick would like to use the small and large meeting rooms for the Northern Central Volunteer Firemen's Association for their Convention meetings. On Friday, June 4, 2021 at 12:00 PM, Saturday June 5, 2021, all day, and possibly Sunday June 6, 2021.

A motion made by Commissioner Michael Terzo, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet, and approved 3-0 the use of the small and large meeting rooms on June 4, 5, and 6, 2021, for the Northern Central Volunteer Firemen's Association for their Convention meetings.

Diana Pfersick would like to use the large meeting room for the MCVFA Annual Meeting on October 27, 2021, from 5 PM to 10 PM.

A motion made by Commissioner Michael Terzo, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet, and approved 3-0 to use the large meeting room for the MCVFA Annual Meeting on October 27, 2021, from 5 PM to 10 PM.

The Red Cross would like to use the large meeting room on November 11, 2020, and January 6, 2021 for the Annual Blood Drive from 12:00 PM to 8 PM.

A motion made by Commissioner Michael Terzo, seconded by Commissioner Dale Sweet, and approved 3-0 the use of the large meeting room on November 11, 2020, and January 6, 2021 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 3 to 0 to close the meeting. It was adjourned by common consent at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Statskey
District Secretary

