

**Claryville Fire District**  
**Minutes from February 5, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 6:31PM, Tuesday February 5, 2019 in the Claryville Volunteer Fire Department Community Hall.

Present: Commissioners Daniel Forger, Tom Matthews, Terry McNamara, and Ashley Ritzheimer

Representing the fire Department: Glenn VanDenBerg, Gary Frear, John Coombs.

Public: Joy Monforte

- Secretary Report

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- Treasurer's Report

Bill were circulated and there was a question with the Spectrum bill amount differed from what was paid. We will ask Jim about it. Upon motion made by Terry McNamara and seconded by Ashley Ritzheimer they were approved. All in favor, motion passed by a 4 to 0 vote.

- Communications

Last meeting we proposed transferring money for the purchase of a new truck. That decision was subject to a permissive referendum. Dan mentioned that if he is correct if there is a certain amount of voters who sign a petition and we would have to have a permissive referendum as a vote. He is not aware of any petitions. Petition has to be with original signatures. First step is having a petition requesting a permissive referendum and then with the permissive referendum we can get the truck approved, if it was voted to be approved. We have a letter from Thomas McGee who is against the permissive referendum. He is also requesting information on the trucks under the Freedom Information Act.

Dan will send out a letter stating that his letter was received and it has been sent to our lawyer for consideration on response.

Second letter is against the use of funds to purchase a new truck and that it would be more fiscally prudent to refurbish an existing truck.

In total four (4) letter stating that they are opposed to the permissive referendum.

Letter from Frost Valley stating that they now have a daycare.

Glenn provided Dan a list of the firefighters who have had the fit test and who are active firefighters which goes to Jim to provide for the insurance.

A package from FASNY with a history of every firefighter who has had cancer. It was given to the chiefs to file.

- Chief's Report

Fire calls since last meeting:

Tuesday 1/15/19 structure fire, chimney, 1076 Claryville Road, 05:43am, 6501,6502,6561.

Friday 1/25/19 Chief's call, Hazard in roadway, ice blocks, Claryville Road by 4-H camp, 19:10 pm 6501.

Friday 2/1/19 motor vehicle accident, Frost Valley Road, 14:24 pm, 6502,6503,6561, 10 members.

Polaris 6x6 has been serviced and all repairs are complete. All spare tires and rims have been delivered.

6561,6531,6511 have been serviced and inspected.

6512 is at truck pro to have a transfer case bearing replaced.

- Committee Reports

CapTruck committee: After our last meeting Tom sent out a registered letter to the truck company, with the contract signed by him, as authorized by the commissioners. He also mailed out tax information, to truck company.

Tom also has a binder with all truck info and our tax id number in case we ever need it.

The permissive referendum was posted in Townsman, 30 days from the 17 of January is

February 15.

Tom commended dan for all the work he also did on the truck committee.

- Old Business

Sexual Harassment: Desiree did a webinar online. Also Mike Congolosis will be doing a class at the firehouse.

- New Business: None
- Bills

The following bills were audited and approved for payment. Upon motion by Terry McNamara and seconded by Tom Matthews. All in favor. motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Check:

3870 Spectrum	Internet & phone	103.60
3871 Verizon -7075	Telephone	85.29
3872 Central Hudson	Electric	466.79
3873 Claryville Vol. Fire Dept.	February Rent	1,000.00
3874 Jim Tisch	January-Treasurer	300.00
3875 Desiree Jimenez	January-Secretary	150.00
3876 Haight Fire Equipment	Badge	25.00
3876 Haight Fire Equipment	Repair to turnout gear	183.65
3877 Smith Motorsports	Repairs	302.18
3878 James Publishing	Officer manual	359.00
3879 Desiree Jimenez	Mileage reimbursement	16.35
3880 Gary Frear	Mileage reimbursement	16.35
3881 Glenn VanDenberg	Mileage reimbursement	221.82
3882 US Postal Service	Post office box renewal	62.00
3883 Ulster County Self Ins.	Workers comp ins.	9,716.05
3884 Young, Fenton, Kelsey & Brown P.C.	Retainer for 2019	500.00
3885 Assoc Fire Dist Sullivan Cty	Annual dues	30.00

- Comments from the public

Joy Monforte thanked us for changing meetings to Tuesdays as it is easier for her to attend.

- Adjournment:

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm. Upon motion from Terry McNamara and seconded by Tom Matthews. All in favor, motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Respectfully submitted

Desiree Jimenez  
Claryville Fire District Secretary  
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