

**Claryville Fire District
Minutes from February 19, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 6:40 PM, Wednesday, February 19th, 2014, in the Claryville Volunteer Fire Department Community Hall.

Present: Chairman/Commissioner Charles Breiner, Commissioners Jerry Huncosky, Daniel Forger, Anthony Carminati and Andrew Ford.

Representing the Fire Department: Glenn VanDenBerg and Tom Matthew

Public: Jane Carminati, Jean Switzler, Bonnie VanDenBerg, Jennifer Pisaniello and Jeanne Donnolly.

Minutes of the Organizational meeting were read and approved UPON MOTION by Dan Forger, Seconded by Jerry Huncosky. Opposed: None Abstained: None

Minutes of the January meeting were read and approved as amended UPON MOTION Dan Forger, Seconded by Andy Ford. Opposed: None Abstained: None

David Bodenstein of Mike Pries, Inc. made a presentation on the Liability Insurance and Accident & Health Insurance.

The treasurer's report for January was read and approved UPON MOTION Jerry Huncosky, Seconded by Dan Forger. Opposed: None Abstained: None

Jim Tisch presented the monthly financial report through February 19, 2014 At the completion of the discussion UPON MOTION by Dan Forger, Seconded by Jerry Huncosky was to authorize Jim Tisch to transfer \$356.43 from liability/property insurance to Workers Comp Insurance to eliminate the negative actual to budget variance. Opposed: None Abstained: None.

Communications & Bills: The following bills were audited and approved for payment, UPON MOTION by Jerry Huncosky, Seconded by Tony Carminati. Opposed: None Abstained: Andy Ford

APPROVED BILLS

3078	Verizon -7270	Telephone	65.04
3079	Verizon - 7075	Telephone	55.95
3080	Hughes Net	Internet	84.99
3081	Central Hudson	Electric	692.88
3082	Jim Tisch	February fees for Sec/Treas	400.00
3083	Claryville Volunteer Fire Dept.	March rent	966.67
3084	Assoc of Fire Districts Ulster Cty	Annual membership	35.00
3085	Ulster County Self-Insurance Plan	Self insurance plan	7,848.43

3086	Haight Fire Equipment	Lithium battery	90.00
3086	Haight Fire Equipment	Wild land pants and shirts	1,410.90
3086	Haight Fire Equipment	Vests	150.00
3086	Haight Fire Equipment	Gloves and goggles	594.96
3086	Haight Fire Equipment	Burn treatment kit	94.61
3086	Haight Fire Equipment	Leather boots	380.00
3086	Haight Fire Equipment	Protect Fusion long cuff gloves	794.00
3087	Ross Electric	Generator Servicing	824.92
3088	Truck Pro	Preventive maintenance Truck 6531	786.78
3088	Truck Pro	Preventive maintenance Truck 6511	786.73
3088	Truck Pro	Preventive maintenance Truck 6512	792.21
3088	Truck Pro	Preventive maintenance Truck 6581	976.73
3089	KJBL Electronics	Install radio and siren Chief Car 4	465.00
3089	KJBL Electronics	Antenna jack & service	80.95
3090	The Townsman	Annual election notice	20.00
3091	Physicals Unlimited	Physicals	170.00
3092	AFDSNY	Training - Andrew Ford	125.00
3093	Liberty Trading Post	Truck cleaning supplies	59.92

Fire Chief's Report:

1 call – Stand by in Neversink

Working on the trailer

Old Business:

The policies were brought up for review and approval.

The ethics policy was tabled.

The procurement policy was approved UPON MOTION by Dan Forger, Seconded by Jerry Huncosky. Opposed: None Abstained: None

The investment policy was approved UPON MOTION by Andy Ford, Seconded by Tony Carminati. Opposed: None Abstained: None

Tom Matthews reintroduced that members should have their meals paid for by the district when there is extended periods of time on a call or drill. Andy Ford will do further research into this.

The topic of who should pay for the snow removal in front of the fire house was brought up for discussion after two bills that were submitted for payment for January and the first two weeks of February weeks totaling more than \$2,300 were rejected. The reason being is that the snow plowing costs were removed from the 2014 budget during the budget process. Jerry Huncosky made a motion to have the district pay for snow plowing. There was no second therefore the motion was withdrawn. Discussion continued with the outcome being that Jerry Huncosky would contact the town and see if they would plow in front of the firehouse. Until a solution could be found Jerry Huncosky offered the services of Frost Valley.

The slate of officers for the department was approved UPON MOTION by Dan Forger, Seconded by Jerry Huncosky. Opposed: None Abstained: Tony Carminati

The review of the rent contract was tabled.

An executive session was called at 8:15 PM. The session ended at 8:30 PM. There was no report back.

New Business:

Tom Matthews informed the district that he needs to have a light bar installed on his vehicle at a cost of approximately \$300. No vote was necessary because it is a budgeted line item under \$3,000.

UPON MOTION by Jerry Huncosky, Seconded by Dan Forger was to enter into discussion about changing the logo of the fire district. Opposed: None Abstained: None. Jerry cited that the public could see it as promoting smoking and drinking. Tom Matthews went on record that it was not meant to promote drinking or smoking, but it was just depicting a hillbilly. A sub committee was formed to discuss alternative logos. Members of the committee are Jerry Huncosky, Andy Ford and Tom Matthews.

Mileage reimbursement for chief's personal car usage was brought up. Jim Tisch would develop a policy and form and bring it back to the next meeting.

Committee Reports: None

Comments from the Public: There were several questions brought up by the public which were answered with no further research necessary.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:01 PM, UPON MOTION by Jerry Huncosky, Seconded by Tony Carminati.

Respectfully submitted

Jim Tisch, Sec/Treas.
March 13, 2014