

**Claryville Fire District
Minutes from May 8, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 6:32 PM, Thursday, May 8, 2014, in the Claryville Volunteer Fire Department Community Hall.

Present: Commissioner Jerry Huncosky, Daniel Forger, Anthony Carminati and Andrew Ford. Jerry Huncosky was temporary chairman. Absent: Charles Breiner

Representing the Fire Department: Glenn VanDenBerg, Tom Matthew CJ Mcgrath and Mike Scofield,

Public: Jean Switzler, Jeanne Donnolly, Arny Wager, Pete Donnolo, Barbara Ackerly, Joy Montforte, and Carol Lasco.

Minutes of the April meeting were read and approved as amended UPON MOTION Dan Forger, Seconded by Tony Carminati. Opposed: None Abstained: None

The treasurer's report for April was read and approved UPON MOTION Dan Forger, Seconded by Tony Carminati. Opposed: None Abstained: None

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

APPROVED BILLS

3115	Verizon -7270	Telephone	63.33
3116	Verizon - 7075	Telephone	56.07
3117	Hughes Net	Internet	84.99
3118	Jim Tisch	May fees for Sec/Treas	400.00
3119	Bottini Fuel	#2 fuel oil	2,757.03
3120	Claryville Volunteer Fire Dept.	June Rent	966.67
3121	Michael Pisaniello	Mileage reimbursement for training	149.18
3122	Ross Electric	Labor to check out generator in alarm	127.50
3123	Landscape Trailers	Recessed D ring	87.60
3124	B & B Service	Battery and installation into 6X6	173.57
3125	Superior Building Supply	Various bolts, nuts and washers	60.18
3126	Liberty Trading Post	Tire infltor/gauge	41.98
3127	Desiree Jimenez	Mileage reimbursement for training	154.56
3128	Helen Bound	Mileage reimbursement for training	134.40
3129	Dan Forger	Mileage reimbursement for meeting	38.19
3130	Haight Fire Equipment	Pop Can Station (1/3 split Grahamsville, Neversink)	221.29
3130	Haight Fire Equipment	Annual fire extinguisher service	147.00

3130	Haight Fire Equipment	Wildland pants	489.00
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Fire Chief's Report:

2 calls: May 2 – Tri Valley School false alarm 7 members responded

May 4 - Brush fire in Sundown 16 members responded

The department held an open house and recruited two candidates for active membership. Their names are Brian Pareda and Jim Trohan. Two other people took home applications.

Amy Wynkoop passed Emergency Vehicle Operator training course.

There is an issue with truck 6512 and it will need several new batteries.

Dan Forger questioned about the siren going off. Glenn reported that the charger in the truck was causing interference and preventing the siren from going off.

Old Business:

Tony Carminati presented several options for recording the meetings. UPON MOTION by Tony Carminati, Seconded by Andy Ford was to authorize Jim Tisch to purchase a recording device to assist in the recording of minutes. Opposed: None Abstained: Charles Breiner and Dan Forger. Motion did not pass.

Andy Ford reported that Jerry Huncosky has removed himself from the Logo Redesign Committee.

Tom Matthews gave a report on the radio upgrades. At the Ulster County Chiefs Meeting they are going with a different band width than what Sullivan County is updating to. He states that there are more affordable options than what Sullivan County has recommended.

Glenn VanDenBerg will make copies of the keys to the firehouse for the commissioners.

New Business:

The department reported that the current computer in the chief's office was fifteen years old and some of the software will not work on it and the operating system is no longer supported. After a brief discussion, it was requested for the department to get a quote and also to explain why the department needs two computers. It was pointed out to the department that the request a strong possibility of being denied.

A new motion was put on the table to have the meetings recorded. Andy Ford reported on the legal aspects of the recording of minutes and the use of a recording device outlining the retention of this electronic data.

Committee Reports: None

Comments from the Public: Jean Switzler had several questions about budgeted items and expenditures over the last several years.

The first item was the amount of money spent on turnout gear over the past several years. The respond to her question was that not all turn out gear is transferable to another member and that some if the items needed to be replaced.

The second item was in regards to the costs for the truck inspections completed by Truck Pro. The response was that this also included routine maintenance on the truck also.

The third item was on the rope budget. Jean pointed out that \$1,500 was budgeted in 2013 and \$3,000 is budgeted in 2014 with zero dollars being spent. The response was that you need to have money budgeted in case it breaks and needs to be replaced or has exceeded its allowable life by governing standards. Jean then asked what happens to the equipment that is replaced. The response was that it has to be thrown out.

It was then asked what kinds of ropes are used. The response was that there are several types of special ropes necessary based upon what the task that it is needed for. Jeff Williams would be able to better explain the various uses.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM, UPON MOTION by Andy Ford, Seconded by Dan Forger.

Respectfully submitted

Jim Tisch, Sec/Treas.

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