

**Claryville Fire District  
Minutes from August 6, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 6:30 PM, Thursday, August 6, 2015 in the Claryville Volunteer Fire Department Community Hall.

Present: Chairman/Commissioner Andrew Ford, Commissioners, Daniel Forger, Anthony Carminati and Terry McNamara. Absent: Morgan Wynkoop

Representing the Fire Department: Glenn VanDenBerg and Tom Matthews..

Public: Jane Carminati, Arnold Wager and Katherine Parr.

Minutes of the July meeting were read and approved as amended UPON MOTION by Terry McNamara, Seconded by Dan Forger. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

The treasurer's report for July was read and approved UPON MOTION by Dan Forger, Seconded by Tony Carminati. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Jim Tisch presented the monthly financial report through August 6, 2015. No budget adjustments were required.

Communications & Bills:

The following bills were audited and approved for payment, UPON MOTION by Terry McNamara, Seconded by Dan Forger. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

APPROVED BILLS

3326	Verizon -7270	Telephone	60.81
3327	Verizon - 7075	Telephone	58.20
3328	Hughes Net	Internet	84.99
3329	Central Hudson	Electric	415.89
3330	Claryville Volunteer Fire Dept.	September rent	1,000.00
3331	Jim Tisch	August fees for Sec/Treas	400.00
3332	Truck Pro	Repaired power steering leak truck 6581	295.00
3333	KJBL Electronics	Repair siren switch box	150.00
3334	Extrication Concepts	SEF 4 cycle engine fuel	240.00
3335	Young, Fenton, Kelsey &Brown, P.C.	Legal services	98.50
3336	Fire Engineering Magazine	Annual subscription renewal	29.00
3337	Sutphen	New primer pump and installation	1,755.80

Fire Chief's Report:  
See attached.

UPON MOTION by Terry McNamara, Seconded by Tony Carminati is to approve Virginia Frear as an active member of the department. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

UPON MOTION by Terry McNamara, Seconded by Dan Forger is to approve Cindy Trojhan as an active member of the department. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

#### Committee Reports:

Dan Forger gave an update the budget committee. A draft 2016 budget will be presented for review. The budget does not have any dollars budgeted for the radio upgrades. This money will come out of reserves. The 2016 budget also does not have any money budgeted for rescue tools. The department will bring up under old business the purchase of rescue jacks in the 2015 budget.

The capital plan was drafted and will be up for discussion and adoption under old business.

#### Old Business:

Jim Tisch walked through the draft of the 10 year capital plan. UPON MOTION by Dan Forger, Seconded by Terry McNamara is to adopt the capital plan as amended. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

An update was given by Tom Matthews on the radio upgrades. He explained the timeline for the system upgrade. Testing and installation of the system would be in 2016 by Sullivan County. The district would procure the equipment in 2016 with the switchover in 2017. Estimated cost of equipment is \$51,609. The biggest cost is with portables.

Andy Ford gave an update on the reserve funds. Andy outlined several options to either create a new reserve fund or to transfer monies from one to another. He outlined the various steps that would need to happen for each option. At the next meeting a decision will be made on which option to choose.

The department made a request to purchase the rescue jacks that had been discussed at an earlier meeting and was tabled until later in the fiscal year. UPON MOTION by Terry McNamara, Seconded by Dan Forger was to authorize the department to purchase the rescue jacks at the cost of \$4,037.50 with the variance from budget coming out of light bars. In favor Andy Ford, Dan Forger and Terry McNamara. Opposed Tony Carminati. Motion carried by a 3 to 1 vote.

#### New Business:

Jim Tisch walked through the draft 2106 budget line by line. Several adjustments were made. The final draft will be presented at the September meeting for approval prior to going to the public hearing.

UPON MOTION by Terry McNamara, Seconded by Dan Forger is to authorize the department to send 5 members to attend swift water rescue training and a transfer of \$1,500 will be made from Legal/Audit fees to the training line. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

UPON MOTION by Andy Ford, Seconded by Tony Carminati is to reschedule the September 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting to Wednesday September 9<sup>th</sup>. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Tom Matthews wanted to go on record that Jim Hlinican was not expelled from the department for failure to pass his physical, he is an inactive member.

Comments from the Public:

Arnold Wager stated how Plattekill Fire Department had rebuilt their trucks at substantially less than replacing them.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 PM, UPON MOTION by Dan Forger, Seconded by Tony Carminati. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Respectfully submitted

Jim Tisch, Sec/Treas.  
September 9, 2015

## CHIEF'S REPORT FOR AUGUST 6, 2015 DISTRICT MEETING

### FIRE CALLS SINCE LAST MEETING

7/8/15 STAND BY IN OUR QUARTERS FOR NEVERSINK & GRAHAMSVILLE 6 MEMBERS

7/26/15 RESCUE ON SLIDE MOUNTAIN FROM DENNING TRAIL HEAD. 6512, COMMAND TRAILER & 6X6  
9 MEMBERS 1500.

DRILL ATTENDANCE HAS BEEN GOOD.

9 MEMBERS TOOK THE CHEMICAL SUICIDE CLASS: GLENN, TOM, VIRGINIA, TERRY, ED, GARY, DESI, DAN AND JIM. HOPEFULLY THERE WILL BE ANOTHER CLASS TO CATCH THE REST OF OUR MEMBERS THAT WERE SIGNED UP TO TAKE THIS CLASS. SOME WERE TURNED DOWN BECAUSE THE CLASS WAS FULL.

WE HAVE LOST JACK PETERS DUE TO A JOB CHANGE AND MOVING AWAY.

I HAVE HEARD FROM SAM BERGER OUR ANNUAL OSHA PHYSICAL DATES WILL BE MONDAY AUGUST. 10<sup>th</sup> AND MONDAY AUGUST. 31<sup>st</sup>.

PUMP TESTING WILL BE DONE ON TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> 9AM. IT IS \$250.00 FOR EACH PUMP WE HAVE 4 TO TEST.

HOSE TESTING WILL BE DONE SATURDAY SEPT. 19<sup>TH</sup> 9AM.