

1/6/20 Regular Monthly Meeting

Board of Fire Commissioners
Rexford Fire District
January 6, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:22 p.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present from the District: L. Gates, P. Van Schaick, M. Trombley, S. Lessard, R. Cote, L. Van Schaick.

From the Company: A. Cote.

Minutes:

The minutes of the regular monthly meeting of 12/9/19 were approved on a motion by S. Lessard/M. Trombley.

The minutes of the special meeting of 12/30/19 were approved on a motion by P. Van Schaick/M. Trombley.

Treasurers Report:

L. Van Schaick reported that the year-end general funds are very low due to the fact that we had to pay for the equipment purchased for the Grant we were awarded and we have not yet received the \$50,000 we are due from the Grant. Approval was given on a motion by L. Gates/S. Lessard to move \$15,000 from the 2019 Equipment fund to the General fund until we receive our 2020 Tax Levy check at which time the funds will be transferred back to the 2019 Equipment fund.

The Treasurer's Report for 12/1 -12/31/19 was approved on a motion by M. Trombley/R. Cote.

ACCOUNTS:

T. Robak	Mileage to training	55.68
Mastercard (A. Cote)	Refreshments	739.69
Mastercard (L. Gates)		194.12
Document Solutions	Monthly contract	60.69
Access Health	Annual Physicals	3,195.00
Access Health	Physical – J. Gaffney	213.00
Grastorf	January contract	900.00
Hillyard	Floor cleaning supplies	159.49
VRS	Generator service	48.00
Gazette Newspaper	Annual Election – legal notice	21.09
Accurate Pest Control	Monthly service	50.00
B. Staulters	Strip/wax community room floor/buff hallway	350.00
Alan Brisson	December custodial	350.00
M. Frisone	Mileage to training	90.48

M. Frisone	2019 Gym membership	101.20
NYS Assoc. of Fire Chiefs	Annual dues – L. Gates, P. Van Schaick, M. Trombley S. Lessard, R. Cote, A. Cote	240.00
Verizon	Cell phone	42.80
Spectrum	Bldg. phone 104.82/RR 79.99	184.81
National Grid	Elec. 466.47/Gas 673.55	1,140.02
Cirrus Systems	Sign maintenance fee	421.20
Approval was given to pay the above verified bills on a motion S. Lessard/R. Cote.		
Vander Molen	Repairs – 511	1,381.43
Approval was given to pay the Vander Molen invoice on a motion by P. Van Schaick/M. Trombley, L. Gates abstained.		
Total		\$9,938.70

Communications:

Information was received concerning the following:

- Announcement of Commissioner Training;
- Announcement of a Weekend Conference at Turning Stone.

Chief's Report:

There were 11 alarms for December with 135 YTD.

A. Cote thanked the Board for approving the Chief Engineer and announced his slate of officers for 2020. He also noted that Don Seguin is 3 months short of meeting the requirements of the Rules & Regulations of the District to become an officer. Approval was given on a motion by L. Gates/P. Van Schaick for a one time amendment to the time in service requirement and allow D. Seguin to become a lieutenant as of 1/1/2020.

F. Pedinotti has been removed from active status. It was also noted that C. Young cannot respond to calls and trying to decide his status.

DOH has approved our meds and they have been placed in service.

The annual pack testing was completed on 12/31/19 and all by-yearly batteries were changed in all packs.

The batteries on 512 were tested by VRS and failed. VRS replaced them at no charge.

A. Cote discussed the air packs and purchasing new bottles. The cost to purchase the bottles from MES is \$30/bottle.

There is enough diesel fuel in our tank to take us through January. Service is needed on the pump on the tank.

A. Cote submitted his 2019 expense report to the Board.

Ted and Jessica have completed Fire Officer 1 training within 7 months. Don is taking Fireground Strategies and Tactics for First Arriving Companies training which is part of Fire Officer 1.

Maria, Jessica and Aaron are registered for the IAC Conference in Lake Placid. The cost of the three day conference is \$300/person and the hotel cost is \$482/person.

A. Cote discussed adding firefighter names to their helmets.

The following items for the Chief for 2020 were approved on a motion by P. Van Schaick/L. Gates: A \$3,000 food budget, the purchase of EMS supplies up to \$1,000, a \$500 discretionary spending limit that does not need prior approval.

A. Cote noted that LOSAP points earned for 2019 were posted on 1/1/2020.

Board Member Reports:

P. Van Schaick:

P. Van Schaick noted he needs to go to the Town of Clifton Park to file his Oath of Office.

P. Van Schaick will attend the commissioner training on March 21st.

Raising the amount earned for the LOSAP program was discussed. A resolution with Board approval needs to take place then a referendum needs to be voted on by the taxpayers of the district. P. Van Schaick suggested having the vote in December along with our annual election. He also noted that 40 years is the maximum number of years a firefighter can participate in the program.

M. Trombley:

M. Trombley questioned where we stand with obtaining a title for the 2008 Ford Expedition. L. Van Schaick stated she's still working on it.

S. Lessard:

Nothing to report.

R. Cote:

R. Cote received \$200 for deposit for use of the community room.

B-Lann has completed their inspection of the stove.

B. Staulters has completed the stripping/waxing of the community room and buffing of the hallways.

R. Cote will contact Kyle to fix the molding in the community room. She also noted that the side door to the truck bays does not lock and needs to be fixed.

L. Van Schaick:

L. Van Schaick completed the process to be able to access on-line banking to obtain statements.

L. Gates:

A new remote is needed for truck bay 1.

L. Gates requested to receive the minutes of the monthly meetings by the end of the month and to catch up the posting of minutes on the website.

A motion to give a commissioners report at the company meeting was approved by S. Lessard/R. Cote.
L. Gates has a lead on selling 513 to Global Foundries. All the hose can go with the truck and some of the equipment to be determined. A title will be needed for this vehicle.

A motion by P. Van Schaick/R. Cote was approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Van Schaick
Secretary