

4/12/21 Regular Monthly Meeting

Board of Fire Commissioners
Rexford Fire District
April 12, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

From the Company: A. Cote, A. Craver.

Guest: Ceferino Alcaide Miranda.

A. Craver presented prospective new member, Ceferino Alcaide Miranda, to the Board for firefighter approval. He has passed the Company investigation as well as the arson investigation and has been voted in by the Company. The Board unanimous approved his membership as firefighter.

Minutes:

The minutes of the regular monthly meeting of 3/8/21 were approved on a motion by M. Trombley/P. Van Schaick.

Treasurers Report:

The Treasurer's Report for 3/1 –3/31/21 was approved on a motion by M. Trombley/W. Schoenborn.

ACCOUNTS:

Uline	Bollard sleeves for poles	804.33
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W. Schoenborn	Reimbursement for Commissioner training	125.00
Grastorf	March contract	900.00
Clifton Park Water Auth.	Service from 12/10/20 to 3/11/21	114.53
Access Health	Physical/EKG/Fit test for C. Miranda	225.00
Burnt Hills Hardware	Batteries	68.96
Firefly Inc.	Administrative fee for LOSAP	1,715.00
Capital Security		0.00
Mastercard (A. Cote)	Training refreshments	355.77
Mastercard (L. Gates)	Eggs for drill	4.58
Mastercard (L. Van Schaick)	Checks/envelopes	348.15
V. E. Ralph & Son	AED pads	205.64
Document Solutions	March contract	48.74
Accurate Pest Control	March service	50.00
Medical Warehouse	Suction unit/medical supplies	949.40

Maloney Plumbing	Repairs in men's room	230.00
RBC Wealth Management	Points earned for 2020	11,900.00
MES	Helmet chin straps	68.00
Business Radio Licensing	User fee	105.00
A. Brisson	March custodial	350.00
1 st National Bank of Scotia	Truck Bond payment	32,743.83
Verizon	Cell phones	71.18
National Grid	Elec. \$556.11/Gas \$823.25	1,379.36
Spectrum	Bldg. phone \$108.00/RR \$84.99	192.99
Candy Lane	Refreshment for monthly company meeting	30.00
Smith's Automotive	515 Battery replacement	360.19
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Smith's Automotive	Car 51 Brakes	666.87
Schuyler Heights FD	Purchase of 2010 Ford F-150	25,151.51
Main Motorcar	Purchase of 2021 Dodge Ram 1500	29,919.00
P. A. Ruth Automotive	Cap & Cargo Slide for 2021 Dodge	5,052.00
Approval was given to pay all verified bills on a motion by P. Van Schaick/W. Schoenborn.		
Vander Molen	Repairs to 511	4,284.76
Approval was given to pay the Vander Molen bill on a motion by M. Trombley/R. Cote.		
L Gates abstained.		
Total		\$118,803.77

Communications:

Information was received concerning the following:

Certificate for Wade Schoenborn for completion of commissioner training;

Water quality report;

Letter from Company President, A. Craver, presenting Ceferino Alcaide Miranda for membership to the department. Approval for membership was given on a motion by L. Gates/P. Van Schaick.;

Solicitation from Niskayuna High to advertise in their yearbook. L. Gates suggested purchasing an ad not to exceed \$200 and to also talk to the company in regard to sharing the cost of an ad.

Chief's Report:

There were 13 alarms for March with 30 alarms YTD.

An agreement was received from Glencliff School in regard to using our building in the event of an emergency. Previously, Glencliff School emergency calls went to Schenectady County dispatch. These calls will now be going to Saratoga County and Rexford FD will be the first department to be dispatched followed by Niskayuna FD.

Hose and pump testing will be conducted on April 29th.

M. Westberg and M. Frisone are completing their training.

Bailout systems are being implemented on April 20th and mandatory training will take place on April 27th, May 1st and May 4th and SOG's have been set up.

A. Cote spoke with our insurance agent, S. Sawn, in regard to EVOC training being taught in house. He noted the online portion of training has been completed.

The suction unit has been received and placed into service,

Previously approved gear has been purchased as well as name tags for coats and helmets. SCBA masks will have name ID's.

Completed repairs are: 511 front primer; 514 and 515 batteries and Car 51 brake replacement.

A. Cote is still waiting for the light bar tree.

Items to be surplus are 600 feet of forestry hose and the suction machine.

A. Cote noted they have been training for brush fires and requested ear muffs for 515 for the pump operators. Quotes for the ear muffs are \$168 for After Market and \$390 for Goin Mobil.

Approval was given on a motion by L. Gates/P. Van Schaick to purchase ear muffs for a cost not to exceed \$225.

Approval was given on a motion by P. Van Schaick/L. Gates to surplus 600 feet of forestry hose and the suction machine.

L. Gates requested a list of gear and dates purchased to better understand gear purchases going forward.

Board Member Reports:

L. Van Schaick:

The Board was given a copy of our current Procurement Policy which needs updating. Spending limits will be researched for next month's meeting.

It's time to start thinking about our spending for preparing the 2022 budget. If overriding the tax cap is necessary, the Board should make a decision by the July meeting.

P. Van Schaick:

LOSAP statements were mailed to social and out of town members and the rest were handed out to firefighters.

The loss reflected in the LOSAP statement this month is due payments being made to eligible to receive their payout this year. One more payment is scheduled to be made to R. Krawiecki.

The annual LOSAP report was received from Firefly Inc.

The increase in our insurance policy is due to the required rider to the policy concerning the use of foam. The insurance will pay for the clean-up when foam is needed for fighting a fire. A. Cote will give him this information.

W. Schoenborn:

W. Schoenborn requested to meet with R. Cote in regard to building maintenance.

M. Trombley:

M. Trombley has been investigating the gutters and heat tape to take care of the ice problem at the back entrance to the building. He will contact a contractor in Ballston Spa.

R. Cote:

Mariaville Fence Company is scheduled to install a fence around the gas pump and trash cans.

The guard rail in front of the fuel tank has been painted and R. Cote will get a price for painting the fuel tank from Premier Maintenance.

Sealcoating of the parking lot needs to be done this year. R. Cote will get the required 3 quotes.

The Girl Scouts have been calling to request use of the community room. R. Cote will rent to only one group per day.

\$200 was received for rental of the community room.

L. Gates:

L. Gates stated the new 2021 Dodge, Chief's vehicle, is arriving this week at Main Motorcar in Johnstown. Approval was given on a motion by M. Trombley/P. Van Schaick to pay Main Motorcar the previously approved \$29,919 upon receipt of delivery of the vehicle. Approval was also given to pay P. A. Ruth Automotive \$5052 to install the cap and cargo slide on a motion by R. Cote/W. Schoenborn.

L. Gates requested approval to submit a bid, in the amount of \$25,151.51, to Schuyler Heights Fire District to purchase their 2010 Ford F-150 to replace our Suburban, MED 514. Approval to submit the bid was given on a motion by L. Gates, W. Schoenborn, M. Trombley, and R. Cote. P. Van Schaick voted nay. Approval was also given on a motion by L. Gates/W. Schoenborn for L. Van Schaick to submit payment to Schuyler Heights Fire District in the amount of \$25,151.51 if/when our bid is accepted.

It was noted that the Company owns the antique fire truck.

A motion by P. Van Schaick/R. Cote was approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Van Schaick
Secretary