

3/13/23 Regular Monthly Meeting

Board of Fire Commissioners
Rexford Fire District
March 13, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 p.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Company: A. Cote, M. Westbrook.

Minutes:

The minutes of the regular monthly meeting of 2/13/23 were approved on a motion by P. Van Schaick/R. Cote.

Treasurers Report:

The Treasurer's Report for 2/1 –2/28/23 was approved on a motion by P. Van Schaick/M. Trombley.

ACCOUNTS:

Mastercard (A. Cote)	Bldg/Refresh/Office supplies/Recruit & Retention	332.21
Mastercard (L. Gates)		0.00
Mastercard (L. Van Schaick)		0.00
Northeast Appliance Service	Dishwasher service/repair	549.42
No. Country Xerox	February contract	50.00
RMB Mechanical	Manifold repair in heating system	3,032.89
Garrison	Firefighter gear – 2 sets	5,935.54
VRS	Seatbelt kit for 51-2	1,347.10
Alan Brisson	February custodial	500.00
Accurate Pest	February/March service contract	120.00
Grastorf	March contract	1,400.00
Assoc of FD Capital Area	L. Gates/C. Ryan - commish training/annual banquet	290.00
National Grid	Elec. \$671.97/Gas \$1,340.24/Late fee \$28.21	2,040.42
Verizon	Cell phones	40.40
Spectrum	Roadrunner	84.99
Charter Communications	Bldg. phones	106.84

Approval was given to pay all verified bills on a motion by R. Cote/C. Ryan.

Vander Molen Repair door for 51-2 172.20

Approval to pay the Vander Molen bill was given on a motion by P. Van Schaick/M. Trombley. L, Gates and C. Ryan abstained.

Total **\$16,006.91**

Communications:

A letter was received from the fire company concerning a change in membership for F. Pedinotti, C. Young, V. Krawiecki and L. Gates.

Chief's Report:

There were 9 alarms for February with 19 alarms YTD.

A 10# fire extinguisher was replaced. The cost was \$55.

MES tested SCBA's and they are good for 5 years.

The speaker in the truck bay was replaced.

Glenridge Road work on the underpass height signals began today.

We need to establish Account #2272 for Recruit & Retention.

Mary Beth Walsh requested use of the building to hold a Drug Take Back Day on April 8th during the hours of 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

A meeting was held with Rebus. EMT recertification is required every 3 years.

A. Cote and M. Westbrook had training on the bailout systems and can now train firefighters and the bailout systems needs to be inspected monthly.

Rexford, Burnt Hills and Ballston Lake fire departments will be at the training center on 3/25 from 8 a.m. to noon for a live burn drill.

March 28th at 7 p.m. M. Cecilione from Homeland Security will be here to talk about human trafficking in the fire service.

A. Cote is researching a gear dryer to be able to dry 2 sets of gear at a time and the ability to dry hose. A quote was received from Garrison in the amount of \$5,025 plus shipping and a quote from Dival for \$4,891 plus freight of \$650 for a total of \$5,541.

A. Cote requested to change cell service from Verizon to T-Mobile to be able to add I-Pads to 7 vehicles. The cost for 1 cell phone is \$24.36/month and 7 I-Pads is \$19.74/month per I-Pad. Verizon quoted the cost of 1 I-Pad for \$429. M. Westbrook explained how the I-Pads would help firefighters when responding to emergencies. All I-Pad apps are free. The monthly cost is \$19.74 x 7 I-Pads for a total of \$138.10 plus 1 cell phone for \$24.36 for a total of \$162.40/month. Truck check sheet will be on the I-Pads within 90 days. Approval was given on a motion by L. Gates/P. Van Schaick to cancel Verizon and move to T-Mobile for 1 cell phone and up to 10 I-Pads.

Approval was given on a motion by L. Gates/P. Van Schaick for Chief Cote to spend up to \$1,000 for mounts and 7 cases for the I-Pads.

Approval was given on a motion by L. Gates/M. Trombley to spend up to \$300 for 3 cases for the additional I-Pads.

Approval was given on a motion by R. Cote/C. Ryan to purchase the Gear Dryer from Dival for a total of \$5,541.

Board Member Reports:

C. Ryan:

The Board received information from LogicalNet concerning managed website services, backup services and support and IT management services. The cost for their services is \$830 set-up fee and a \$480 monthly fee. Approval was given on a motion by C. Ryan/L. Gates to contract with LogicalNet for the minimum contract cost of \$480/month.

M. Trombley:

M. Trombley requested a list of vendor's name, address and phone numbers. A. Cote stated he has a list and will forward it to him.

M. Trombley questioned the posting of events on the fire department calendar.

M. Trombley attended the Assoc. of Fire District's round table discussion on Friday and found it to be very informative.

P. Van Schaick:

P. Van Schaick noted that the decrease in the LOSAP account is due to 2 payments to firefighters being made.

P. Van Schaick received an email from Tony Hill stating all points' payments have been processed and we should be receiving the invoice for payment.

LOSAP beneficiary forms were given to the Chief for current members and new members to complete if they have not already done so. Members who want to change their beneficiary can also submit a new form.

R. Cote:

R. Cote submitted \$650 that was received from the rentals of the community room, for deposit to the general fund savings account.

R. Cote would like to redo the carpets in the offices and will call Ballston Spa Carpets and 1 other business to get quotes for the next meeting.

R. Cote attended the committee meeting for the 100th Anniversary block party. There will be 1 food truck and 1 kettle corn truck. Both should accommodate 350 – 400 people.

L. Van Schaick:

L. Van Schaick noted the district computer is up and running with QuickBooks.

L. Gates:

L. Gates talked about requirements between the fire company and the district and has spoken with legal counsel in regard to membership reinstatement.

Approval was given to adjourn the meeting on a motion by P. Van Schaick/R. Cote at 9:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Van Schaick
Secretary