

Coldenham Fire District
Board of Fire Commissioners
June 10, 2019

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Coldenham Fire District was held on June 10, 2019 at the Coldenham Fire House. Commissioner Keenan called the meeting to order and led the salute to the flag.

Roll Call

Commissioners present: Joseph Keenan, Wayne Jacobowitz, Rickey Cameron, Anita Grecco and Warren Decker.

Also, present: Mary Keenan, Secretary
Linda Miller, Treasurer
Chief Matt Hunt
2nd Assistant Chief Mike Wirth

Acceptance of Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Grecco and seconded by Commissioner Cameron to dispense with the reading of the regular monthly meeting minutes of May 13 and accept them as written. Unanimous approval (5 ayes, 0 nays) was received by those in attendance.

Communications

Nothing currently.

Hall Requests

Nothing currently.

Public Discussion

Nothing currently.

Committee Reports

Safety Committee: Commissioner Cameron advised the board that there was one incident with no need to report at this time.

Mack Restoration Committee: Commissioner Keenan advised the board that the truck was returned to Rapid where they adjusted the tires. It rode a little better.

Building or Property Committee: Secretary Keenan advised the board that the upstairs faucet was leaking. Commissioner Jacobowitz shut it off at the wall. The outside faucet still needs to be replaced also.

Old Business

Budget Issues: Commissioner Keenan updated everyone on the budget issues. A meeting will be held on June 17 at 2:00. John Capella, Commissioner Keenan and Treasurer Miller will attend.

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Fuel Audit: Commissioner Keenan advised the Chief that the next fuel audit will be due through June 2019.

SAM (State and Municipal Facilities Program administered by DASNY): Commissioner Keenan advised the board that we need to do an RFP for a Project Manager.

Annual Training: Commissioner Keenan advised the board that he has not run a report, but sees that members are doing them. He asked Chief Hunt to send out a reminder.

Physicals: Commissioner Cameron advised the board that there are 5 who have not completed their physicals. Commissioner Cameron gave the list to Chief Hunt who will contact them directly.

Webpage/E-Mail Status: Commissioner Keenan advised the board that the website needs to be updated.

Fuel Tank Gauges: Commissioner Jacobowitz stated that they do not make those gauges anymore. He and Randy Haylock will continue to look for a solution. Commissioner Keenan suggested that whoever talks to Bottini to see if they have replacement hose for the gas pump. It is starting to deteriorate. Randy suggested we look at Tractor Supply.

Dutchess Overhead Doors: Commissioner Decker advised the board that we are on schedule, just not scheduled yet.

FEMA Grant: It is not open yet.

Sealcoating: Commissioner Keenan submitted three quotes to have the back driveway and parking area seal coated. J Algarin Paving and Sealcoating submitted a proposal in the amount of \$1800. Michaels Driveway Sealing submitted a proposal of \$1300 and DiMartino Paving and Sealcoating submitted a proposal of \$875. A motion was made by Commissioner Decker seconded by Commissioner Grecco to award the job to DiMartino Paving and Sealcoating in the amount of \$875. Unanimous approval (5 ayes, 0 nays & 0 abstains) was received by those in attendance. Motion carried.

Ongoing & Upcoming Projects

Office and Files Room Renovation: Commissioner Keenan advised the board that this is the year to finish up the files room.

Engine Bay Floors: Commissioner Decker advised the board that they would be able to do the job August 12.

Replacement Blacktop: Tabled.

Air Conditioning Issues: Commissioner Jacobowitz discussed options for the air

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conditioning project. As this will be over \$20,000 specs were written. A motion was made by Commissioner Decker and seconded by Commissioner Jacobowitz to hold a special meeting to review the specs for the Air Conditioning project and any other business needed. Unanimous approval (5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstains) was received by those in attendance. Motion carried. The secretary will place the notice in the Times Herald Record, on the Town websites and bulleting boards and the district website.

Kitchen Exhaust: Nothing on this yet.

New Business

Maltese Cross: Commissioner Keenan would like permission to move the Maltese Cross from behind the bench to above the outside chalkboard. A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobowitz and seconded by Commissioner Decker at the amount of up to \$100. Unanimous approval (5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstains) was received by those in attendance. Motion carried.

Chief's Report

Membership

- New members: 0
- Qualified drivers: 0
- New Drivers Requested: 0
- Drivers dropped: 0
- Physicals: In progress
- Members passing probation: 0
- Members reinstated: 0
- Members dropped due to non-payment of dues 0
- Social Members dropped: 0
- Status switch: 0
- Members suspended: 0
- Members resigned: 0

Apparatus Status

Chief Hunt advised the board that 204 is fixed. There was a problem with the pump shift.

205 will be going out of service tomorrow for 2 days or longer for its preventative maintenance.

Still waiting on Reliant for dates for hose testing. Hirst is sending quotes.

Further Information from the Chief

- Chief Hunt would like to purchase red tets at the Syracuse show at a cost up to \$100. A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobowitz and seconded by Commissioner Cameron to allow the purchase of red tets from the Syracuse show at a cost up to \$100. Unanimous approval (5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstains) was received by

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those in attendance. Motion carried.

- Chief Hunt advised the board that we had a fire last week which was run by Assistant Chief Wirth, who did a phenomenal job. We will probably get a foil request as there was no insurance on the house.
- Chief Hunt advised the board that there will be two mutual aid drills. One June 11, 2019 there will be a water supply drill. On June 17, 2019 there will be a wide area search drill. We will also familiarize our fast team with the equipment from Plattekill, and they will familiarize themselves with ours.
- Chief Hunt would like to request up to \$600 for 4 nights and meals for Commissioner Cameron to attend the Chief’s Show in Syracuse. A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobowitz and seconded by Commissioner Decker to allow up to \$600 for Commissioner Cameron to attend the Chief’s Show. Unanimous approval (4 ayes, 0 nays and 1 abstain) was received by those in attendance. Motion carried.

Further Information from the Commissioners

Commissioner Keenan advised the board that there is a company that could use our excess gear called Steephollow Volunteer Fire Department. Commissioner Decker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cameron to give Steephollow Volunteer Fire Department in Mississippi 18 air packs and masks and 5 water rescue suits that have previously been designated as surplus. Unanimous approval (5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstains) was received by those in attendance. Motion carried.

Commissioner Grecco asked if letters had been sent to the two members who did not complete EMT. Yes, the letters were sent, and we have not heard or received anything back. Commissioner Keenan asked Chief Hunt to remind them of their obligations.

Commissioner Cameron thanked the board for providing funds for the State Chief’s Convention in Syracuse.

Commissioner Decker suggested that when talking about the wearing of gear, it should be addressed to everyone, not just Fire Police.

Commissioner Decker was alerted to a Facebook post showing one of our members smoking a cigar at a fire scene. Chief Hunt asked for the name and said it has been established to not be smoking at fire scenes.

Information from the Treasurer/Secretary

Treasurer Miller advised the board that she will be dropping off some stuff for the audit tomorrow.

Approved Expenditures

Maltese Cross	\$	100.00
Red Tets for Helmets		100.00
Syracuse Chief Show		600.00

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DiMartino Sealcoating \$ 875.00

Public Comments

Nothing currently.

Bills Signed

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobowitz and seconded by Commissioner Grecco to pay bills if found correct. Unanimous approval (5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstains) by those in attendance was received. Motion carried.

Budget to Actual Report

Commissioner Keenan acknowledged receipt of the Budget to Actual Report and it was reviewed.

Resignation of Treasurer: A resignation was received from Treasurer Miller that she will be resigning at the end of the year. A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobowitz and seconded by Commissioner Decker to advertise for the Treasurer position. Unanimous approval (5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstains) was received by those in attendance.

Adjournment

Since all regular business was completed, Commissioner Decker moved to adjourn the meeting seconded by Commissioner Grecco. Unanimous approval (5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstains) by those in attendance was received. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Keenan
Secretary