

RIDGE FIRE DISTRICT-BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR 2ND MONDAY MONTHLY JANUARY 14th, 2013

Meeting called to order at 7:46pm by Chairman Mirando with a salute to the flag and a moment of silence.

Present: Commissioners P. Pirozzi, J. Scuttina, J. Campo, & D. Hellberg
 Chief's J. Mirando, S. Gray, M. Gray, District Treasurer C. Pearsall, J. Boyd, & Lawyer L.Kenney
 Absent: T. Anderson

Motion by Commissioner Pirozzi to accept the minutes of the Sunday Monthly Meeting held on December 30th, 2012. Motion seconded by Commissioner Campo, all in favor

TREASURERS REPORT-
PETTY CASH

DECEMBER OPENING BALANCE	90.68
USED TO 12/31/12	67.62
BALANCE (deposited in GF ckg)	23.06

GENERAL FUND CHECKING

BALANCE	\$ 401,969.34
12/5/12 DEP. METRO-PCS CK	+1,803.53
12/5/12 DEP.T-MOBILE CK	+ 3,078.91
12/5/12 DEP. REFUND-OFFICE DEPOT	+ 279.64
12/5/12 DEP. REFUND ZOLL	+ 1,787.10
12/12/12 DEP. SPRINT CHECK	+ 1003.57
12/12/12 DEP. BOE- CHECK	+ 1,875.00
12/12/12 DEP. VFIS CHECK	+ 610.81
12/20/12 DEP. S.KERN- SALE OF VEHICLE	+418.00
12/20 DEP. REFUND NYS	+325.00
12/31/12 DEP. PETTY CASH BALANCE	+23.06
TOTAL DEPOSITS-----	+ 11,204.62
AUTHORIZED DISBURSEMENTS: -	273,204.72
BALANCE-----	139,969.24

GENERAL FUND Capital One-Money Market-

BALANCE	225,935.26
DISBURSEMENTS	100,000.00
INTEREST EARNED	75.67
BALANCE	126,980.17

CAPITAL RESERVE CHECKING

BALANCE	78,971.98
DEPOSITS	-0-
DISBURSEMENTS	-0-
BALANCE	78,971.98

CAPITAL RESERVE Capital One Money Market

BALANCE	253,987.39
DEPOSITS	140,000.00
DISBURSEMENTS	-0-
INTEREST EARNED	+ 98.36
BALANCE	394,085.75

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND CHECKING

BALANCE	17,616.51
DISBURSEMENTS-	-0-
BALANCE-	17,616.51

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Motion by Commissioner Scuttina to accept the Treasurer's Report and pay bills seconded by Commissioner Pirozzi, all in favor.

CHIEF'S REPORT-

Chief Mirando- submitted a bill for sig. 8 from bailout class, board approves.

Chief Mirando- submitted list of CO#2 events for 2013.

Chief Mirando- F.F. M. Foley, F.F. R. Sorrentino & F.F. L. Webb need Class A uniforms-board approves for them to go to All American for uniforms, members need to call ahead of time.

Chief Mirando- requests department honorary members be invited to the installation dinner. Chief to supply list of honorary members to district.

Chief Mirando- driver training requests for D. Demeo & S. Klein

Chief Mirando- requests approval for the following CO#2 hall requests: Big Bucks 2/9/13 from 7pm-11pm, 2/23/13 M. Barone for a birthday party from 6pm to 11pm, 3/3/13 Lt. Matthews from 12 to 6pm, 3/16/13 Lt. Kaiser from 6pm to 11pm both for birthday parties, board approves as long as there are no conflicts.

Chief Mirando- discussion held regarding in-active life member J. McNulty

Chief Mirando- discussion held regarding shelving for dept. hall closet- Commissioner Pirozzi to work with chiefs to get quotes for project.

Chief Mirando- requests 1 team for the Jolt Tournament 2/23-2/24 at Nassau Coliseum, cost \$350.00, Motion by Commissioner Pirozzi for one team to go, seconded by Commissioner Campo, all in favor. 5-22-4 will be going to the Coliseum.

Chief Mirando- discussion on FDIC Conference April 21st to 26th, Motion by Commissioner Scuttina, seconded by Commissioner Pirozzi for Chief Mirando, Chief S. Gray and District Mechanic L. Hadzigeriou to attend.

Chief Mirando- discussion held regarding classes being held between six departments, requests approval for the cost of \$600.00 which the district has yet to be billed for. Also certificate of insurance is needed. Motion by Commissioner Scuttina to approve, seconded by Commissioner Hellberg, all in favor.

Chief Mirando 10 new Firefighter I books are needed to be purchased for new members, board approves.

Chief Mirando- Introduced 3 new members to the board: N. Bellone, T. Clark & J. Speruta, Motion by Commissioner Pirozzi to accept the new members, seconded by Commissioner Scuttina, all in favor.

Chief Mirando- discussion held regarding 5-22-5, , truck may be not repairable due to a number of mechanical defects and parts are no longer available, requests board remove 5-22-5 from service permanently, Motion by Commissioner Pirozzi to remove 5-22-5 tanker from service and deem surplus, seconded by Commissioner Campo, all in favor. Motion by Commissioner Pirozzi to declare an emergency purchase for one tanker, seconded by Commissioner Scuttina, all in favor. Motion by Commissioner Pirozzi due to the emergency purchase to waive the bidding process, seconded by Commissioner Scuttina, all in favor. Motion by Commissioner Pirozzi to purchase a new tanker cost not to exceed \$60,000.00 (General Fund to be used), seconded by Commissioner Scuttina, all in favor.

Chief Mirando- discussion held regarding the conditions of 5-22-3, 5-22-1 & 5-22-7, discussion on the district's need for 2 new pumpers. Chief's office feels as this is a safety issue the board needs to look into two new pumpers. Discussion held regarding leasing new pumpers or lease/purchase of new pumpers. Motion by Commissioner Pirozzi to lease/purchase 2 new pumpers, seconded by Commissioner Scuttina, all in favor. Attorney L. Kenney will have more information for board at next meeting regarding the lease/purchase agreement.

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CORRESPONDENCES:

Received physical paperwork for J. Speruta & T. Miller, copies to chiefs, Commissioner Hellberg and district files.

Received notice of regular meetings of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Ridge Fire District for 2013.

Received the renewal notice for the safety compliance alert, which is a news letter the district receives regarding information on OSHA, keeping workers safe and avoiding accidents, cost is \$299.00 for the year, board approves.

Received 2013 & 2014 Contracts from the Board of Elections for use of Company #2 as a polling place. Contracts to be signed, board approves.

Received notice from Crown Castle that they have acquired the right to manage and operate the cell tower from T-Mobile. Crown Castle has assumed the obligations of T-Mobile's land lease agreement with the fire district including the obligation to pay rent.

OLD, UNFINISHED, MISC. BUSINESS

Commissioner Pirozzi- discussion regarding tuff books, looking into tuff pad, cost will be a lot less for tuff pads, will have more information at next meeting.

Commissioner Mirando- ceiling tiles at CO#2 is a work in progress. Problem with men's room paper towel dispenser at HQ, requests Allan to look into. Shed has not arrived at CO#2 yet. Problems with network signal at CO#2, Cablevision needs to be called, district treasurer to call.

Commissioner Scuttina- discussion held regarding diesel pump issues, company is coming out to discuss. Discussion held regarding accident with ambulance & member's vehicle- insurance to be notified. Discussion held regarding 75th anniversary installation dinner 2016, need to find a venue. H2M has come out to HQ regarding condition of Fireman's Hall, now awaiting proposal from H2M after they are contracted an engineering evaluation will be scheduled.

Commissioner Hellberg- none

Commissioner Campo- awaiting parts for boat, new 5-22-16 is in limited service, Gator is doing great, going to Nassau Coliseum for show. Discussion on frequency for chiefs, chief to get back to board. Discussion held on photographer for installation dinner, cost \$500.00, board approves.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Pirozzi - received two quotes from Island Tech: to rewire CO#3 radio room, cost \$639.00, back-up battery needed for server, cost \$504.00, board approves both quotes.

Commissioner Mirando- requests J. Boyd to continue to come to Monday district meetings to help with EMS issues.

Commissioner Scuttina-question for Attorney L. Kenney- Does OSHA standard include the volunteers in total of personnel?? L. Kenney to look into and get back to board. At the present time J. Farrell is looking at district maps for mistakes, if anyone else finds mistakes please let Commissioner Scuttina know. PERB hearing is now scheduled for 2/11/13. A FOIL request was received regarding fireman's hall, it was answered, no information at this time. Discussion held regarding reimbursement for classes taken and mileage reimbursement district will be drafting a new policy.

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Commissioner Campo- Motion by Commissioer Pirozzi to deem the old 5-22-16 (2003 ambulance) as surplus, seconded by Commissioner Scuttina, all in favor. Motion by Commissioner Campo to sell the old 5-22-16 (2003 ambulance) to Long Beach Fire Department for one dollar, due to Superstorm Sandy Long Beach Fire Department has lost their ambulances, they are in need of an ambulance as soon as possible, seconded by Commissioner Hellberg, all in favor.

Commissioner Hellberg- inquired about the Claxons for CO#2 & CO#3, Commissioner Campo stated it's a work in progress.

John Boyd- Alpine and PIPS are working together and should be up and running soon. Discussion on Blood Bourne-PPE- awaiting a quote and also needs members names. Looking into having a CVEO class. C. Farrell has resigned he is now a NYPD cadet. Board was informed regarding issues with Stericycle Company. J.Boyd and L. Kenney handling. Did an ATV drill this past weekend with Northampton-Flanders which went very well and will be continuing working with them in the future.

Commissioner Scuttina requested executive session at 9:28pm, seconded by Commissioner Pirozzi, all in favor.

Executive session ended at 9:31pm.

Ex-Chief John DeVito addressed the board regarding associate members of the department. There were questions for L. Kenney, discussion followed, more information is needed. J. DeVito and L. Kenney to have more information at future board meetings.

Motion to adjourn at 10:00pm by Commissioner Scuttina seconded by Commissioner Pirozzi, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Pearsall
District Treasurer