

**RIDGE FIRE DISTRICT-BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**4<sup>TH</sup> MONDAY MONTHLY MEETING-MARCH 23, 2015**

Meeting called to order at 8:02 pm by Chairman J .Scuttina. Present Commissioners: P.Pirozzi, J.Campo, D.Hellberg, R.Lobocchiaro and Chiefs S.Davis, & L.Kaiser and District Treasurer C.Pearsall, Firefighters: M. Babb, S. Vecchia, B. Brooks, W. Phillips, M. Gray & S. Harris

Absent: District Secretary T. Anderson & Chief M. Gianmugnai

Motion by Commissioner Pirozzi to accept the minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday Monthly Meeting held Monday March 9, 2015 with the following amendments: Executive session should be listed under Commissioner Hellberg, Suffolk County Fire Educator's Association to use hall 4/24/15 7pm to 10pm, Request resolution adopted at the meeting to be attached to minutes. Motion seconded by Commissioner Hellberg, Board approves.

**CORRESPONDENCES:**

Received a invitation from Manorville Fire District on Saturday the 25th of April at 6pm at Majestic Gardens

Received hall request from D. Brooks on June 7th from 1 to 5pm for a baby shower about 50 people to attend, board approves.

Received notice of adoption of resolution subject to permissive referendum for repair on roof not to exceed \$50,000.00.

Received notice that permissive referendum was put in Newsday on March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Received notice from Central Pine Barrens Wildfire Task Force regarding recommendation for vacant seat on the Board of the New York Wildfire and Incident Management Academy, paperwork given to Chief Davis OPR: Chief Davis.

**OLD, UNFINISHED, MISC. BUSINESS**

**Comm.Pirozzi-** Received quote for one new laptop for fit testing use at a cost of \$913.00, motion by Commissioner LoBocchiaro to approve purchase, seconded by Commissioner Campo, all in favor. Discussion held regarding issues with some district computers errors have shown up, T-1 lines are too costly to do. Work in progress to correct issues.

**Comm. Hellberg-** none

**Comm. Campo-** Work is being done on 5-22-12 at the present time, 5-22-9 will get worked on next. New 5-22-81 vehicle has been ordered.

**Comm. Scuttina-** Discussion held on new equipment request list, motion by Commissioner Hellberg to approve request list, seconded by Commissioner Campo, all in favor. Attorney Ring has sent a list of accounting firms for the LOSAP audit, Commissioner Scuttina will work on this. Roof repair has been completed now working with district's insurance regarding reimbursement of expenses. Reviewed list of arbitrators from American Arbitrators Association, list to be reviewed and recommendations submitted to attorney, OPR: commissioner Scuttina.

**Comm. Lobocchiaro-** none

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Chairman Scuttina asked the firefighters in attendance if they wanted to address the board of fire commissioners. Firefighter M. Babb thanked the board for the use of fireman's hall for his daughter's christening. Firefighter S. Vecchia asked to address the board.

Commissioner R. Lobocchiaro requested an executive session at 8:20pm regarding a personnel issue, seconded by Commissioner Hellberg all in favor.

Out of executive session at 8:37pm.

**NEW BUSINESS-**

**Comm. Pirozzi-** spoke to Val from VSS regarding the key fob & camera system, 2 computers are needed, as existing computers are over 10 years old. Received quote from Island Tech for \$2055.00 for both computers, Motion by Commissioner R. Lobocchiaro to purchase computers, seconded by Commissioner Hellberg, all in favor. Printer in commissioner's office broke, it was replaced by a back-up printer district already had. Now district will be purchasing a new printer from PC Richard & Son for \$200.00 as a back-up.

**Comm. Campo-** Installation dinner went well. Recommendation is that the district and department write up guidelines for members for proper procedure (etiquette) during ceremonies.

**Comm. Hellberg-** Installation dinner went well.

**Comm. Scuttina-** Request made to chief for list of award recipients from installation dinner for proper ribbons to be given out to members. District workshop 3/30/15 board requests chief attend at 7pm. Long Island Firefighter's Benevolent Association requests use of hall 10/22/15 instead of April date, board approves.

**Comm. Lobocchiaro-** none

**CHIEF'S REPORT-**

**Chief S.Davis-** Co.#1 requests use of hall for 4/4/15 for mini country night, board approves with appropriate liquor license obtained.

**Chief S.Davis-** Thanked board for the installation dinner.

**Chief S.Davis-** Discussion held regarding fobs for fuel pumps, some officers are having issues, need 2 fobs for 5-22-11 & 12 and can the Co.#3 officers have access to boiler room at Co.#3. Commissioner Pirozzi to handle FOB issues. No change in access to boiler room.

**Chief S.Davis-** Requested a letter from the board of fire commissioners for Riverhead Fire Department to put Ridge's frequencies into their radios, Commissioner Lobocchiaro to handle.

**Chief S.Davis-** on 4/4/15 there is going to be a mutual aid meeting at 9:00am with the mutual aid departments, requests money for refreshments. Board approves, must use district policy for purchase of refreshments.

**Chief S.Davis-** discussion held regarding Cutchogue FD looking for members to join their motorized drill team, board to review with chief at workshop.

**Chief S.Davis-** Firefighter Michael Foley has returned from military duty and returned to firefighter status.

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**Chief's Report Continued:**

**Chief S.Davis-** Discussion held regarding 2 standbys, Riverhead FD requests 5-22-9 to stand-by on 5/15/15 from 5pm to midnight, board approves, Kings Park requests a stand-by, board did not approve due to distance.

**Chief Davis-** mud run event has been postponed from 3/28/15 to 4/11/15 from 8am to 11am.

**Chief Davis** – requests Fire Police Officers have Red Alert access, board to review at workshop.

**Chief Davis** – recommends K. Payne can come off probation

**Chief Davis** –discussion held regarding the car wash supplies at the companies, Commissioner Campo to handle.

**Chief Davis-** Handled in the following vouchers and invoices for payment: for the stand-by crews, Harvest Moon Deli- \$382.80, M. Gianmugnai- \$123.57, for a work detail Alfredo's \$38.73 and for the Mega Show 13 attendees \$153.00, board approves all.

**Chief Davis** –driver training requests: D. HellbergII, B. Brooks, D. Brooks and R. Sibenhar.

**Chief Davis** – 100 feet of 5 inch hose is needed for 5-22-7, board approves add to equipment list.

**Chief Davis-** training request for S. Harris and N. Bellone to attend 5/15 to 5/17 in NYC, paperwork needed, Motion by Commissioner Hellberg, seconded by Commissioner Pirozzi to approve, all in favor, completed paperwork to district treasurer as soon as possible.

**Chief Davis-** requests use of the 5-22-30 vehicle to go to the Harrisburg Fire Expo in Harrisburg, PA, on 5/15/15, will be back the same day, board approves.

**Chief Davis** – discussed that the Longwood School Board recognized all the fire departments in the Longwood School District. 5-22-30 and 5-22-32 attended the ceremony.

**Chief Davis** – carport for Co#1 is still a work in progress.OPR Commissioner Campo.

**Chief Davis** – Co#1 is getting a new soda machine, would like to place the old machine downstairs, not sure where to place it. Commissioner Campo to handle.

**Chief Davis-** Commissioner Pirozzi stated that the district meeting room has had items damaged during meetings held in the room. The room must be left as it is found.

Equipment list- approved by the board

Motion by Commissioner R. Lobocchiaro to adjourn at 9:19pm, Motion seconded by Commissioner Pirozzi, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Pearsall  
District Treasurer

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