

Claryville Fire District

Draft Minutes February 6, 2024

The regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Claryville Fire District was called to order at 6:30 pm on February 6, 2024, at the Claryville Fire Department Warren Cole Hall.

Present: Chairman/Commissioner Dave White, Commissioners: Andy Kremer, Mike Schiffer, and Tom Matthews

Representing the Fire Department: Paul Metzger, Glenn VanDenBerg.

Public: Joy Montforte, David Bodenstein.

Minutes of the January 9, 2024, Regular Meeting were read and approved Upon Motion by Dave, Seconded by Andy. None Opposed.

Minutes of the January 9, 2024, Organizational Meeting were read and approved as corrected by Mike, Seconded by Dave. None Opposed.

The Treasurer's report for January 9, 2024, was read and approved Upon Motion by Andy, Seconded by Tom. None Opposed.

Communication and Bills: The following Bills were approved for payment Upon Motion by Dave, Seconded by Tom. None Opposed.

333.00	personnel	treas	4741	Altair Service 216, LLC. / Paul Metzger
200.00	personnel	sec	4742	Anne-Marie Kremer
1,500.00	building	rent	4743	Claryville FD
174.02	util	telephone & internet	4744	Spectrum / Charter Communications
88.16	util	telephone	4745	Verizon
741.52	util	elec	4746	CHUD
75.00	personnel	elec cleck	4747	Edith Chewiwi
75.00	personnel	elec cleck	4748	Anne-Marie Kremer
75.00	personnel	elec cleck	4749	Paul Metzger
480.00	equipt	supplies		Claryville Vol FD
			4750	
27.13	equipt	misc equipt	4750	Claryville Vol FD
6.47	equipt	misc equipt	4750	Claryville Vol FD
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296.67	fire equipt	repair/maint	4752	John H. Eschenberg Inc.
1,085.43	building	snow removal	4753	Sheeley Oil Excavating Inc.
250.00	contract	legal/audit fees	4754	Young, Kelsey, Brown & Strippoli,PC
300.00	equipt	misc equipt	4755	Haight Fire Equipment Supply
962.95	equipt	misc equipt	4755	Haight Fire Equipment Supply
500.00	fire equipt	repair/maint	4756	Neversink Tire and Auto LLC
3,965.20	fire equipt	repair/maint	4756	Neversink Tire and Auto LLC
3,965.20	fire equipt	repair/maint	4756	Neversink Tire and Auto LLC
313.50	fire equipt	repair/maint	4756	Neversink Tire and Auto LLC
313.50	fire equipt	repair/maint	4756	Neversink Tire and Auto LLC
62.50	travel	travel	4757	Tom Matthews
61.76	equipt	misc supplies	4758	Advance Auto Parts
567.92	util	LPG	4759	Rez-Bear Energy
50.00	contract	other	4760	AFDSNY
50.00	contract	other	4760	AFDSNY
125.00	contract	other	4760	AFDSNY
175.00	contract	assoc fees	4761	NFPA
100.00	contract	assoc fees	4762	Association of Fire Districts of Sullivan County

Chief's Report:

3 Calls:

- 1/10 - Tree on wires. Five members; 65-1, 65-3,65-51
- 1/29 – Activated alarm. One member; 65-1
- 2/3 – Gas odor. Seven members; 65-1, 65-5, 65-61

Drills/Training

- Drills are going well. Focus on MVA/Extraction
- Four members completed DEC Wildland Search.
- One member started Fire Officer I: Company Training/Community Risk.

Other

- New tires on 61, 31 and 63 (Trailer)
- Wildland Water Trailer complete with final fit-out.

Committee Reports: None

Old Business:

New attorney is Nicole Stipoli from same company - Young, Fenton, Kelsey&Brown, P.C.

Post signs where AEDs are located in trucks.

DEC permit for standpipes hasn't been moving ahead. Will follow up in person in New Paltz if necessary in order to get this finished this Spring.

The idea of consolidating the Fire Districts of Neversink and Denning is under discussion. The benefit of consolidation would be to taxpayers in the Towns.

Dave made the Motion to ratify the appropriation from the Equipment Repair Reserve into the District's operating budget to fund the purchase of the new tires for the trucks to conform with NFPA regulations. Seconded by Mike. None Opposed.

New Business:

The idea of consolidating the Fire Districts of Neversink and Denning is under discussion. The benefit of consolidation would be to taxpayers in the Towns. Commissioners brainstorming ideas on how best to proceed.

Change November Meeting from Tuesday, November 5 (election day), to Wednesday, November 6, at 6:30 pm.

Presentation by Dave Bodenstein of Mike Preis Inc. Insurance Agency of 2024 Insurance Policy.

Reviewed requirements of posting/publishing/public hearing, when using the reserve funds.

Paul created a new Request for Equipment Purchase to be used going forward.

The Procurement Policy will be amended to state that purchases under \$500.00 need the approval of the Chief. Purchases over \$500.00 need the approval of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Paul Metzger (Chief) has designated Tom Matthews as Purchasing Agent.

Comments from the Public: Joy recommended putting any changes be written into the Procurement Policy.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm Upon Motion by Dave, Seconded by Tom. None Opposed.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne-Marie Kremer/Secretary