

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

October 9, 2012

The regular meeting of the Danby Fire District was called to order by Commissioner Caveney at 7:30 pm on October 9, 2012 at the West Danby Fire Station

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: Gene Beavers
Ralph Bowles
Pat Caveney
Richard Oltz
Wayne Westmiller

Officers: Deanna Bowles, Secretary Treasurer
John Gaden, Danby Chief
Scott Wendt, West Danby Chief
Sharon Gaden, Danby Fire Co. Sec'y

Public:

MINUTES:

Commissioner Westmiller made a motion to approve the minutes for Sep. 11, 2012 as corrected. Commissioner Bowles seconded the motion. "to approve the September 11, 2012 minutes" was corrected to read "to approve the August 14, 2012 minutes". Motion carried with all in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Commissioner Westmiller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Oltz, to approve the treasurer's report and to pay Abstract General Fund claims 190-214 in the amount of \$39,365.93. Motion carried with all in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The following communications were received:

Legal notices for the Brooktondale Contract and the Budget Hearing were in the Ithaca Journal, Town of Danby website, Danby Area News, and sent to the town clerk for posting on the bulletin board.

Acceptance by the Brooktondale Fire District of the Contract for Fire Protection

A quote from Caskey's Garage for \$17,514.63 to replace the frame rails and rear springs.

An invitation from Tompkins Trust Co. to a luncheon w/a presentation on bonding - 2 reservations made.

Quotes for hose, ladder, and pump testing – to be covered later in the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PURCHASING:

Chief Gaden reported hoods and gear lockers were received.

Chief Wendt will be ordering 100' of 1 3/4" hose. Commissioner Westmiller will check availability through State Contract.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

Commissioner Beavers will obtain quotes for heating contracts for both fire stations.

Fire extinguishers have been serviced at both stations.

Secretary Treasurer Bowles will obtain quotes for janitorial service for both stations.

Danby Fire Station:

Lights in the truck bay and exterior lights are not working to specs. Commissioner Caveney will contact the electrician.

West Danby Fire Station:

Costs for cable or satellite service for internet are being investigated.

INSURANCE:

ESIP Loss Control response is pending.

Commissioner Caveney will check with our insurance company for a Defensive Driver Class.

TRUCKS:

Bid requests for new trucks is pending response from Attorney Butler. A workshop will be held to prepare for a Public Hearing.

Commissioner Bowles made a motion to accept the quote from Caskey's Garage and to advertise a Permissive Referendum to expend up to \$17000 from the Equipment Repair Reserve Fund for the emergency replacement of frame rails and springs. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Oltz and carried with all in favor.

Quotes for Pump, Ladder, and Hose Testing were reviewed and accepted as follows:

Pump Testing:	Federal Safety Equipment Corp.	\$800 @ \$200 per truck
	Safety First Fire Hose Testing, Inc.	\$1400 @ \$350 per truck + fuel surcharge
	LaFrance Equipment Corp.	\$1180 @ \$295 per truck

Commissioner Beavers made a motion to accept the quote from Federal Safety Equipment Corp., seconded by Commissioner Oltz. Motion carried with all in favor.

Ladder Testing:	Safety First Fire Hose Testing, Inc.	\$406 @ \$2 per foot + fuel surcharge
	Waterway	\$456.75 @ \$2.25 per foot
	Fire Service Safety Testing	\$568.40 @ \$2.80 per foot
	First Due Services, LLC	\$329 + \$100 travel + \$82.50 labels/lube

Hose Testing:	Safety First Fire Hose Testing, Inc.	\$2791 @ .20 per foot + fuel surcharge
	Waterway	\$3070.10 @ .22 per foot
	First Due Services, LLC	\$3070.10 @ .22 per foot

Commissioner Beavers made a motion to accept the quotes from Waterway with testing to be done at the Danby Fire Station, seconded by Commissioner Westmiller. Motion carried with all in favor.

TOWN BOARD:

No report

RECORD RETENTION:

No report

POLICY:

Commissioner Oltz made a motion to adopt the Resolution to Approve the Apparatus Driving Policy dated October 9, 2012. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Caveney. A roll call vote was taken and motion carried with all in favor.

Commissioner Beavers made a motion to adopt a Resolution to Establish Election Dates for Chiefs and Asst. Chiefs. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Westmiller. A roll call vote was taken and motion carried with all in favor. Election dates and time will be in December on the Thursday following the second Tuesday at 7 pm.

A Social Media Policy was suggested by the TC Chiefs Association and Lee Shurtleff. Commissioner Caveney will check with Attorney Butler for a sample policy.

The Rental/Loan Policy was tabled until next month.

DANBY ADDITION:

No report

AUDIT:

Secretary Treasurer will meet with the auditors on October 23, 2012.

BUDGET:

Budget Hearing will be October 16, 2012 at the West Danby Fire Station.

CHIEFS REPORTS:

DVFC: No written report was received. A. Michael McLellan was accepted as a probationary member pending approval of the District. A request was made for station usage on Oct. 21st for a child's birthday party with hopes of having a firefighter to show the children the trucks. JoAnne Oliver requested approval of training classes.

WDFD: No written report was received.

Commissioner Caveney made a motion to approve the training request from JoAnne Oliver, seconded by Commissioner Bowles. Motion carried with all in favor.

Commissioner Bowles made a motion to approve the station usage, seconded by Commissioner Oltz. Motion carried with all in favor.

Commissioner Beavers made a motion to approve the new member pending a physical and arson check. Motion seconded by Commissioner Westmiller and carried with all in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

A resolution to appoint an Election Board for the Chiefs election was tabled until the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna Bowles
Secretary