

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

November 12, 2013

The regular meeting of the Danby Fire District was called to order by Commissioner Westmiller at 7:30 pm on November 12, 2013 at the Danby Fire Station

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: Gene Beavers
Ralph Bowles
Bill Halton
Richard Oltz
Wayne Westmiller

Officers: Deanna Bowles, Secretary Treasurer Steve Cortright, W. Danby Vice-President
John Gaden, Danby Chief Marrell Cortright, W. Danby Secretary
Tony Carlisle, W. Danby Asst. Chief

Public:

MINUTES:

Commissioner Bowles moved to approve the minutes for the Budget Hearing on October 15, 2013 and the minutes for the regular meeting on October 15, 2013. Motion seconded by Commissioner Oltz and carried with all in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Payment for legal fees paid by the District but incurred by West Danby Fire Co. was received. The final invoice from 4-Guys for the 2 new pumpers was received. Commissioner Halton moved to approve the treasurer's report and to pay Abstract 11 General Fund claims 227-251 in the amount of \$492,220.63. Motion seconded by Commissioner Westmiller and carried with all in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The following communications were received:

- Quotes for semi-annual hood service and annual fire extinguisher service – Commissioner Beavers will follow-up
- Federal Safety Pump Test Results – forwarded to Chiefs
- OSHA Compliance Training – Syr. Jan. 8, Binghamton Jan 7 @ \$199
- Legal Notice for Fire Commissioner Election published in The Ithaca Journal Nov. 8, 2013
- Letter sent to Tompkins Board of Elections requesting poll books and voter lists
- FASNY E-Communications – forwarded to Chiefs
- 2013 AFG Grant information for exhaust systems
- Waterway preliminary hose and ladder test results
- Letter sent to True Insurance insuring new trucks effective Nov. 23, 2013
- National Fire Codes subscription information
- Fire Detection Systems alarm test results for Danby Fire Station
- Energy Audit Report – to be discussed under Building & Grounds Reports
- Solar Liberty Contract – to be discussed under Building & Grounds Reports
- Attorney Shahan preliminary response

COMMITTEES:

PURCHASING:

All equipment has been received except for the ladder for Danby and airpack T-nuts for West Danby.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

The Energy Audit has been completed for both stations and forwarded to Commissioners for review prior to a workshop scheduled for Tuesday Dec. 17th. Commissioner Halton moved to schedule a meeting with Rob Rosen to discuss the energy audit. Motion seconded by Commissioner Westmiller and carried with all in favor.

The contracts from Solar Liberty were amended to correct the District name and address. Commissioner Halton will check with Attorney Guy Krogh (Town of Danby attorney) to review the contract. Steve Cortright asked about the roof supporting the solar panels and an engineering study.

Danby Fire Station:

Chief Gaden reported the new lights over the south truck bay should be changed from entrance lights to flood lights at a cost of \$226. He also has a quote for \$90 to add an On/Off switch for the meeting room coffee pot. The vent system in the new truck bay needs a timer installed at \$60. Commissioner Halton moved to approve \$376 for this electrical work. Commissioner Oltz seconded the motion and motion carried with all in favor.

Commissioner Westmiller moved to approve a resolution to move \$1000 from A3410.4.501 Audit Account to A3410.4.7 Danby Building and Grounds General Maintenance Account. Motion seconded by Commissioner Beavers and carried with all in favor.

The water softener has been serviced, and salt is needed for the sidewalk.

West Danby Fire Station:

Asst. W. Danby Chief Carlisle reported the propane heating system in the truck bay is not firing. He will contact HSC for service. A lift will be needed for service.

INSURANCE:

No report

TRUCKS:

Chief Gaden reported Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus needs to have the District set a sale price for both 401 and 1401. Their commission would be 10% for a sale of less than \$75K. A range of \$12-30K for 401 and \$15-40K for 1401 were suggested. \$20K for 401 and \$25K for 1401 were agreed upon by consensus. Also the Town of Enfield may be interested in purchasing 401. Chief Gaden will contact Brindlee and the Town of Enfield asking \$20K for 401 and \$25K for 1401. Commissioner Beavers will review the law pertaining to the sale of vehicles.

Final inspection of the new pumpers will be Nov. 22nd. The Truck Committee consisting of Chief Gaden, Chief Wendt, Asst. Chief Carlisle, and Firefighter Steve Cortright have requested approval to attend the final inspection at a cost not to exceed \$700, leaving on Nov. 21st and returning on Nov. 22nd. Commissioner Westmiller moved to approve the final inspection trip as requested. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bowles and carried with all in favor.

TOWN BOARD:

No report

RECORDS:

No report

POLICY:

No report

TRUCK BOND:

Secretary Treasurer Bowles called Attorney Butler and the bond is in place and funds are expected to be transferred on Nov. 15th from The Bank of Greene County to the Danby Fire District.

TRAINING:

No report.

BUDGET:

No report.

CHIEFS REPORTS:

Both fire companies will hold Company Officer Elections on Thursday December 12th.

DVFC: A monthly report was received for October.

Evan Fitzpatrick has resigned due to a change in employment. A copy of his resignation was requested for the District records.

WDFD:

No monthly report was received.

Kelly Wendt has resigned. A copy of her resignation was requested for the District records.

Several records of members' names and dates of memberships are missing. Secretary Bowles will check her records to share any information she may have.

NEW BUSINESS:

The meeting scheduled for November 19th was cancelled. Due to the Fire Commissioner Election on December 10th, the next District meeting will be December 10th at the Danby Fire Station. The December 17th meeting will remain at the West Danby Fire Station as scheduled.

Meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm.

Deanna Bowles
Secretary