

CALEDONIA FIRE DISTRICT
August 11, 2021

MINUTES

Present: Fire Commissioners Jim Dutton, Don Cook, Meg Churchill, and Mike Beavers

Excused: Ron Beach Jr.

Others Present: Secretary/Treasurer Sue Carson, Chief RJ Kantowski, Deputy Chief John Murray, Deputy Chief Mike Churchill and Tony DeMarco

Guests: Melodie Kolmetz from Northern Star Medical and John Fletcher from Fletcher Air Systems

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Dutton at 6:30 p.m. All present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bids for the Breathing Air System were opened by Mr. Dutton. Fletcher Air Systems submitted the only bid for the system.

Motion #118– 2021

Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook and all approved the purchase of the air breathing system from Fletcher Air Systems at a cost of \$69,995, contingent upon the line officers' verification and satisfactory review of the specs and bid.

John Fletcher left the meeting at 6:50 pm.

Melodie Kolmetz joined the meeting to discuss the current EMS/ambulance concerns with the fire commissioners. She noted the District may want to consider providing EMT classes to members and the public. If the District obtains an agency and ID number from New York State the classes would be free. Melodie stated she has more information for the commissioners and will send it directly to Chief Kantowski for him to distribute.

Motion #119– 2021

Mr. Dutton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beavers and all approved moving forward with the District obtaining the necessary agency and ID numbers to provide EMT classes.

Melodie left the meeting at 7:13 pm.

Tony DeMarco made a brief presentation on LOSAP (Length of Service Award Program). The program provides a pension for retirement age firefighters that meet certain criteria. Death and disability benefits are offered also.

Motion #120– 2021

Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Churchill and all approved moving forward to offer a LOSAP.

Motion #121– 2021

Mr. Beavers made motion, seconded by Mr. Cook and all approved to accept the July meeting minutes.

Motion #122– 2021

Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Churchill and all approved removing Willie Shannon from active membership.

Chief Kantowski's Report:

- Chief Kantowski presented the following reports for July:
 - Fire Report – 21 calls noted.
 - Truck Fuel Log

Motion #123– 2021

- Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Churchill and all approved the Fire Report for July .
- Events
 - Rush will celebrate its 100th anniversary on August 21. Van will be used to transport fire fighters to the event.
 - Limerock Speedway will host a First Responders night on September 11.
- Livingston County currently has received 12 applications to fill the Fire Coordinator position. The county is also seeking two instructors.
- Deputy Chief Churchill noted he is waiting on quotes for additional equipment on the 2021 Chevy Silverado.
- Deputy Chief Murray noted on August 16 there will be a roof simulator drill at Hampton Corners. The District needs to purchase various building materials to participate.

Motion #124– 2021

- Mr. Cook made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Churchill and all approved the purchase of necessary building materials for the roof simulator drill not to exceed \$200.

- Deputy Chief Murray reported the following:
 - Fire police boots are in with the exception of Tom Hayes pair.
 - Nomex hoods and structural gloves have been received.
 - Pager charger bases are working well.
 - Mobile radio for 2021 Chevy Silverado has been received.

Motion #125– 2021

- Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook and all approved the Fire Police purchasing one STOP paddle at a cost of \$235 and one six pack of road flare discs at a cost of \$130.
- Follow up from previous meetings. Discussion was held on:
 - Caledonia’s Policy for Recording an Emergency Scene - The Chief met with East Avon’s Chief and reviewed the District’s policy. East Avon was more than willing to accommodate the request.
 - Passport accountability tags – they have been ordered, still waiting.
 - New pager chargers – in service.
 - Helmet cameras – Attorney Ray DiRaddo needs to advise.
 - New Fire District sign – possibly touch it up.
 - Gear drying racks – Andrew Carpino to follow up
 - Generator contract is in place and maintenance scheduled for September.
 - Air compressor maintenance contract– vendor identified.
 - Cleaning floors – Linda Snyder will clean and wax floors once the school is finished with the equipment. List has been provided of necessary products/equipment.

Motion #126– 2021

- A motion was made by Mr. Beavers and seconded by Mrs. Churchill, and all approved the J.W. Jones Hall fundraiser activities as listed below with all active fire fighters eligible to participate.

August (FR= Front Room BR= Back Room)

6 – Birthday party BR

8 – Party FR

September

11 – Party FR

Fire Commissioner’s Reports

- Mr. Dutton presented the annual truck maintenance schedule as follows:
 - 08/16/21 - 116 to Kenworth
 - 08/23/21 - 119 to Cat, Batavia
 - 08/24/21 - 118 to Kenworth
 - 08/30/21 - 114 to Penn Detroit

- 09/07/21 - 119 to Fletch-Air Systems, Ransomville
- Mr. Dutton reported the District has been awarded a Forestry grant up to the amount of \$1,500.

Motion #127– 2021

- Mr. Dutton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook and all approved purchasing the equipment noted in the forestry grant in the amount of \$2,719.92 and use of the District's credit card for payment.
- Mr. Dutton stated the gas meters are back from Churchville Equipment.
- Mr. Dutton noted Chris Buckley confirmed the Village will replace the ceiling tiles as necessary in the fire hall.
- Mr. Cook reported on the progress of the Building Committee, noting sub committees had been formed. He also reviewed various bond amounts and possible payments for the new fire hall. The commissioners will be asked to determine what furnishings will be needed for the board room. The Secretary/Treasurer is working on a list also for this position's office.

Secretary Treasurer's Report

- A FOIL request from Sandra Fagnoli was received regarding a mutual aid call in LeRoy. Fire Report was provided.

Motion #128– 2021

- Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Churchill and all approved the Treasurer's Report and payment of vouchers #113-124 totaling \$23,609.88.

Motion #129– 2021

- Mrs. Churchill made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beavers and all approved adjourning the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Carson
Secretary/ Treasurer