

CALEDONIA FIRE DISTRICT

June 12, 2019

MINUTES

Present: Fire Commissioners Jim Dutton, Don Cook, Mark Schroeder, Mike Beavers and Ron Beach Jr.

Others Present: Secretary/Treasurer Sue Carson and Chief Jeff Ayers

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

Motion #076-2019

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

Chief Ayers' Report:

- Chief Ayers presented the following reports for May:
 - Fire Report
 - Truck Fuel Log

Motion #077-2019

- Mr. Beach made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook and all approved the Fire Report for May.

Motion #078 -2019

- Mr. Beach made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder and all approved sending C-11 to the NYS Fire Chief's Show in Syracuse. It will be held June 13-15,
- Training will be held at Hampton Corners for interior fire fighters on Friday, June 14. A crew and pumper will be also be sent from the District.
- A grain bin rescue drill will be held in conjunction with York at the Simpson Farm on Friday, June 23 from 8 am to Noon and 1-3 pm. #118 and #119 will be sent to the training with equipment.

Motion #079 -2019

- Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook and all approved the purchase of 24 traffic cones by the Fire Police not to exceed \$250 from J.C. Smith Inc.

- At the Livonia barn fire on May 30, a 6-inch NY hook was misplaced from #114. The Chief contacted other departments, but it has not located. Livonia offered to replace the hook.

Motion #080 -2019

- Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder and all approved the purchase of a replacement 6 – inch NY hook at a cost of \$130. The District will not pursue reimbursement from Livonia.
- A discussion was held regarding the gas meters. Their use is somewhat limited at times which can cause them to require recalibration. Currently three are out to Sensit for recalibration. There are kits that can be purchased from Sensit for a cost of \$1,084.50 which would be adequate for 16 recalibrations and the tanks are good for two years. Sensit is considered a sole supplier. Churchville refused to supply a quote. Mr. Schroeder suggested before any decision is finalized, the Chief may want to review the cost between a rotation of the meters to Sensit and the kits.
- Eliza Company provided a nozzle demonstration two weeks ago.
- The District is purchasing a porta pond from the Fold a Tank company. They are behind on their orders because of bad weather.

Motion #081 -2019

- Mr. Beach made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook and all approved Deputy Chief Knutowicz attending the Harrisburg Chief’s Show and purchasing boots and helmets not to exceed \$2,500.

Motion #082 -2019

- Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beach and all approved payment for the air compressor being taken from the Contingency line of the budget.
- Chief Ayers will be out of town from June 29 – July 6.

Motion #083 -2019

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

June

- 1 – Shower -back room
- 2 – Memorial service – front room
- 6 – Squirrel appreciation dinner – front room
- 8 – Bridal shower
- 9 – Graduation party – back room
- 13 – Stampin Up – back room
- 15 – 90th Birthday party – back room

- 22 – Birthday party – back room
- 23 – Graduation party – back room
- 29 – 80th Birthday party – back room

Fire Commissioner's Reports

- Mr. Dutton provided an update on the following:
 - The air compressor and electrical line have been installed. The air line will need to be hooked up to the trucks. The electrical line was installed at no charge by Mike Murphy.
 - The new kitchen sink faucet has been installed by Don Estabrooks at no charge.
 - The fire siren is not tripping when the tones go off. Randy Worden from the 911 Center will look into the issue.
- Mr. Beach reported the Building Committee has been visiting various new fire halls in the area to get opinions, new ideas, etc. The committee will also consider the appropriate spots for the generator and siren.
- Mr. Dutton noted the District is considering buying a section of property on Leicester Road from the Fire Department to construct the new fire hall. On April 4, he and Mr. Beavers contacted the Department in an effort to obtain copies of legal agreements/documents to determine if there may be legal issues that could prevent the sale. The Department has not responded. Mr. Dutton presented a letter for the Board's review, requesting this information from President DeMarco IV. After discussion and reviewing the letter the Board approved sending the letter as presented to President DeMarco IV. It will be mailed certified.
- Mr. Beavers inquired on the status of the refurbishment of #116. Chief Ayers will follow up with Mike Knutowicz.
- Mr. Schroeder requested an update on the recent accident with #118 and the status of the insurance claim under mutual aid. Mr. Dutton noted the claim will be paid by the District's insurance company. In this case the damage was incurred by an individual not a Fire District or Department. Insurance follows the vehicle also.
- Mr. Dutton stated the NYS legislature has proposed a tax-exempt status for volunteer firefighters based upon their training and number of calls.
- Mr. Dutton requested the Chief determine the number of firefighters who must be covered by the mandated cancer disability insurance before the Commissioners meet to determine the 2020 budget.

Secretary Treasurer's Report

- The Caledonia Fire Department reimbursed the District for their portion of the insurance package in the amount of \$7,198.42
- Rochester Gas and Electric donated \$500 to the District.
- Genesee Valley Web Marketing will be contacted, and the Secretary will begin to supply updates for the District's website.
- Due to the April meeting being moved up the Five Star Bank credit card could not be paid on time. This resulted in the card being restricted when Mike Knutowicz went to purchase the air compressor and a late fee. A \$14 payment was needed to be made for the card to be available. Sue made the payment and will submit proof at the next meeting for reimbursement.

Motion #084-2019

- Mr. Schroeder made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beach and all approved payment of credit card charges prior to the voucher being approved, if purchase of the item (s) has previously been approved, contingent upon Raymond Wager's office confirming this is acceptable.

Motion #085 -2019

- Mr. Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder and all approved the Treasurer's Report, reissue of check payable to Five Star Bank in the correct amount of \$1,439.76 and payment of vouchers #79 - 94 totaling \$10,097.48.

Motion #086 -2019

- Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schroeder and all approved adjourning the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Carson
Secretary/ Treasurer