

CALEDONIA FIRE DISTRICT
June 12, 2024

MINUTES

Present: Fire Commissioners Jim Dutton, Meg Churchill, Mike Beavers and Ron Beach Jr.

Excused: Donald Cook

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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Dutton at 6:34 p.m. All present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion #073 – 2024

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

Motion #074 – 2024

- WHEREAS, the Board has been informed that the Caledonia Fire Department has approved the proposed membership of applicant, Melissa Knickerbocker residing at 3211 Church St., Caledonia, NY within the territorial boundaries of the Caledonia Fire District/area protected and
- WHEREAS, the Board has been further informed that the applicant has been cleared for membership based upon the successful completion of the arson/sex offense records check performed in accordance with Executive Law Section 837-o;
- IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, on motion of Commissioner Beavers, seconded by Commissioner Beach, that applicant Melissa Knickerbocker, be approved for membership in the Caledonia Fire Department with a D status, subject to his completion of the oath of membership and subject to the six- month probationary requirements of the Caledonia Fire Department. On the roll call the vote was as follows:
 - Dutton: Aye
 - Beach: Aye
 - Beavers: Aye
 - Cook: Not present
 - Churchill: Aye

Motion #075 – 2024

- Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Churchill and all approved to the following changes:
 - Jeff Mills and Mike Lubitow to status D due to lack of training and physicals,
 - David Neale to active membership Fire Police Class III.

Chief Churchill's Report:

- The following reports were presented for the month of May:
 - Fire Report
 - Fuel Log

Motion #076– 2024

- Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Churchill, and all approved the Fire Report for May.
- On July 23, #114 will be at Hemlock Fair to assist in Demo setup.
- A car seat check is planned with no specific date yet. Mrs. Churchill has been certified to do the checks.
- Thirty firefighters obtained their physicals on Monday at the Fire Hall by Northern Star Medical.
- Vehicle Update
 - #114 – The truck is too old for rocker arm recall to apply.
 - #114 – Right dump shoot. Waiting.
 - Tahoe is at Bob Johnson's to repair A/C. Oil change also.
 - Penn Detroit will come to Fire Hall to perform chassis service and NYS inspections on fire trucks.
 - Van and #112 will be brought to Caledonia Garage for NYS inspections and any needed maintenance.
- Follow up
 - Minitor pagers are expected to be received by August 15.
 - Nonstructural gear should be in this month.
 - Shannon's Fire Police gear estimated 10/26.
 - EMS gear – Deputy Chief Carpino to bring quotes. No update available.
 - Dr. Varney meeting – Deputy Chief Carpino was referred to the Town Supervisor and CHS to coordinate a meeting between the three parties by Dr. Varney. No report from Deputy Chief.
- Chief Churchill and Mrs. Churchill will attend the VFA convention in Buffalo on June 20 and June 21.

- Deputy Chief Murray reviewed the June Livingston County Executive Chief's meeting with the board. See attachment Liv Co FCEM June 2024.
- It was noted that the proposed real estate tax break for fire fighters has not been finalized between the villages, towns, and school districts.
- Due to the village not acting on the District's request to repair/replace the hose reel for two years, the District will purchase and install a new one due to safety concerns.

Motion #077 – 2024

- Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Churchill, and all approved the purchase of a Recruitment and Retention banner.

Motion #078 – 2024

- Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Churchill, and all approved the purchase of a positive pressure fan from Witmer in the amount of \$4,279.

Motion #079 – 2024

- Mr. Beavers made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Churchill and all approved payment of \$629 to the Caledonia Fire Department for the Babysitters Banquet expenses.

Motion #080 – 2024

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

June 15 – Party

July

1- Blood drive

14- Two parties

20 – Party

22-27 – WNYVFA Convention

28 - Party

Fire Hall Construction Update

- Mr. Dutton noted the Building Committee met last night. Kevin Donaghue has been working with Passero to reduce the size of the building and will present the new estimate at the June 25th meeting. Kevin has also been in contact with Donegan to discuss bonding the project.

Fire Commissioner's Reports

- Mr. Beavers noted the Association of Fire District's will hold a "Coffee with the Commissioners" on Saturday regarding the proposed OSHA changes.

- Mr. Dutton stated VFIS (Cancer disability insurance carrier) has suggested covered firefighters review their beneficiaries and has provided a form. Sue will distribute the forms to covered firefighters.

Secretary Treasurer's Report

- Caledonia Fire Department reimbursed their portion of the insurance premium in the amount of \$7,395.33 and generator invoices from Cummins in the amount of \$2,117.56 billed to the District by mistake.
- Last month voucher #65 was payable to Boundtree (EMP) in the amount of \$279.18 but the check was mistakenly made out to Emergency Responder Products. A check was reissued to the correct vendor and a check was received from Emergency Responder Products. The voucher # is 65a on the check and abstract.

Motion #081 – 2024

- Mrs. Churchill made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beavers and all approved the Treasurer's Report and payment of vouchers #93-103 and 65a totaling \$8,897.14.

Motion #082 – 2024

- Mrs. Churchill made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beavers and all approved adjourning the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Carson
Secretary/ Treasurer