

**NORTH GREECE FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
1766 Latta Road Station #2
7/9/2019**

PRESENT: Chairman M. MacKenzie, J. Camiolo, T. Coyle, Treasurer W. Bedford, Administrator T. Gretzinger, Fire Chief S. DeRosa, Atty. R. DiRaddo

ABSENT: Secretary Kari Dutton, Commissioners Alan DeCarlo, T. Emerson, Deputy Chief P. McManus

PUBLIC:

Chairman M. MacKenzie called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and noted the fire exits. The opening of the meeting was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our departed members.

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Camiolo, 2nd by Commissioner T. Coyle, To approve the regular 6/11/2019 meeting minutes.

J. Camiolo-yes, T. Coyle-yes, A. DeCarlo-absent, T. Emerson -absent, M. MacKenzie – yes Carried

MOTION BY Commissioner T. Coyle, 2nd by Commissioner J. Camiolo, To approve the regular 6/25/2019 meeting minutes.

J. Camiolo-yes, T. Coyle-yes, A. DeCarlo-absent, T. Emerson -absent, M. MacKenzie – yes Carried

- Treasurer Bedford read the monthly financial report, detailing receipts, disbursements, exception report, budget summary, grants, and status of permissive referendums. Financial report appended to minutes.

MOTION BY Commissioner J. Camiolo, 2nd by Commissioner T. Coyle, To approve the monthly financial report as submitted by Treasurer Bedford.

J. Camiolo-yes, T. Coyle-yes, A. DeCarlo-absent, T. Emerson -absent, M. MacKenzie – yes Carried

MOTION BY Commissioner T. Coyle, 2nd by Commissioner J. Camiolo, To resolve to approve payment of voucher nos. 5053-5057 totaling \$88,693.69 as submitted on 7/9/2019 by Treasurer Bedford for post audit.

J. Camiolo-yes, T. Coyle-yes, A. DeCarlo-absent, T. Emerson -absent, M. MacKenzie – yes Carried

MOTION BY Commissioner, 2nd by Commissioner, To resolve to approve payment of voucher nos. 505-5105 totaling \$56,648.01 as submitted by Treasurer Bedford and audited by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 7/9/2019.

J. Camiolo-yes, T. Coyle-yes, A. DeCarlo-absent, T. Emerson -absent, M. MacKenzie – yes Carried

Date	Sent
6/12/19	Get well card to Lt. Dean Meyers – knee surgery
6/18/19	Congratulatory letter from Chief DeRosa to Eagle Scout Matthew Picco who completed his project by building station 2 a picnic table, benches and pavers.
7/2/19	Certified Reports sent to Renee Nicholls and Karin Intermill in response to subpoena regarding MVA at 3550 Latta Road on 6/13/19
Date	Received
6/27/19	Reports Subpoenaed from MVA at 3550 Latta Road on 6/13/19

Secretary K. Dutton - absent

Treasurer W. Bedford

- We are currently working on the preliminary 2020 budget; we should be able come up with a budget that stays under the 2% tax cap. The Chief and Commissioners need to let Walt know if there are any big expenses that need to be added to budget for 2020. The preliminary budget will be presented to the Board at the August meeting.

IT A. Hinds

- Verizon has supplied Station 1 with a LTE network extender which was installed and seems to be working well.
- Follow up with Greenlight Networks results: they are up and running at this point at headquarters. This has greatly improved the internet speed at headquarters.
- The router at station 2 is not able to properly secure the traffic through the internet at this new pace. We need to upgrade the router to be able to handle this new internet speed. It should cost approximately \$2000 - \$3000.
- IT Hinds asked if a new station 2 door code was needed. Chief DeRosa directed Andy to update the door code. The video camera surveillance has not been active for a while. Maybe this should be investigated to increase security at the stations. Andy will look into a new system and/or camera for the stations.
- Atty DiRaddo asked if IT Hinds is aware of ransomware issues occurring in other areas. IT Hinds reassured BOFC that the District is very well secured against these types of issues. It was noted that the District does not carry insurance coverage that would protect us if an issue of ransomware was to occur to the District. IT Hinds assured the Board that all of the Districts information is backed up in two different locations in case of this kind of event.
- Andy will have some budget numbers to give to Commissioner Coyle for 2019.
- IT Hinds asked if the BOFC would like him and the District secretary to pursue investigating what the District could do to celebrate it's 100-year anniversary. They will also work with the Department on this project. The Board directed Andy to begin some research on this potential project.

Administrator T. Gretzinger- No report

Fire Chief S. DeRosa

- There have been 1,903 calls, year to date, 56% were EMS.

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MOTION BY Commissioner T. Coyle, 2nd by Commissioner J. Camiolo, To spend up to \$200 for lunch for State Career Fire Chiefs meeting that the District is hosting next Wednesday, this is a working meeting because of travel distances for many of the attendees.

*J. Camiolo-yes, T. Coyle-yes, A. DeCarlo-absent, T. Emerson -absent, M. MacKenzie – yes
Carried*

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MOTION BY Commissioner T. Coyle, 2nd by Commissioner J. Camiolo, To approve BC Battaglia to attend bridge class for Fire Officer I National Certification Program at NYS Fire Academy from July 22-24 at a cost not to exceed \$500.

*J. Camiolo-yes, T. Coyle-yes, A. DeCarlo-absent, T. Emerson -absent, M. MacKenzie – yes
Carried*

- Chief DeRosa received a letter appointing him to a three-year term as a member of the IAFC Emergency Management Committee which is appended to these minutes.
- The new fire police vehicle is scheduled to arrive tomorrow, three weeks ahead of schedule. The truck will be going to Hilton to be measured for the slide outs then Lt. Gates will begin working to put on the remaining accessories.

Deputy Chief P. McManus- absent

Commissioner J. Camiolo

- The commissioner asked that the District Secretary send out an email and information regarding the fall conference to get a head count for attendance. This will need to be addressed at the next meeting.

Commissioner T. Coyle- No report

Ken Preston

- The governor has not signed the new bill for the new legislation that has passed both houses. He will keep the Board posted as new information comes.
- The Niagara Falls Fire District Officer Fall conference is getting off to a good start. There are 35 vendors signed up. Rooms are being reserved for this conference already.
- Ken noted that he is in his 58th year as a volunteer firefighter. Chief DeRosa added that Ken's LOSAP points are in the top 5 of all members. The Board thanked Ken for all his years of service to the District.

Commissioner A. DeCarlo - Absent

Commissioner T. Emerson - Absent

Chairman M. MacKenzie

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MOTION BY Commissioner J. Camiolo, 2nd by Commissioner T. Coyle, WHEREAS, Dean Meyers has applied to the Board of Fire Commissioners for benefits pursuant to General Municipal Law § 207-a, (GML § 207-a) pertaining to an injury sustained on March 24, 2017. and WHEREAS, regarding such application, after negotiation and discussion between the North Greece Fire District and Dean Meyers (Parties) , an agreement was entered into between the North Greece Board of Fire Commissioners and Dean Meyers dated June 11, 2019, WHEREAS, the issues regarding such application and Dean Meyers continued employment with the Fire District were resolved by the parties .

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Dean Meyers is awarded benefits under 207-a of the General Municipal Law, such award is in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement approved on June 11, 2019, effective July 20, 2019, subject to the limitations and conditions contained therein.

*J. Camiolo-yes, T. Coyle-yes, A. DeCarlo-absent, T. Emerson -absent, M. MacKenzie – yes
Carried*

MOTION BY Commissioner T. Coyle, 2nd by Commissioner J. Camiolo, To move to executive session at 6:25 PM to discuss matters relating to personnel hiring and firing.

*J. Camiolo-yes, T. Coyle-yes, A. DeCarlo-absent, T. Emerson -absent, M. MacKenzie – yes
Carried*

MOTION BY Commissioner Joe Camiolo, 2nd by Commissioner T. Coyle, To resolve to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:12 p.m.
J. Camiolo-yes, T. Coyle-yes, A. DeCarlo-absent, T. Emerson -absent, M. MacKenzie – yes
Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Kari Dutton, Secretary (*notes taken by Administrator T. Gretzinger*)
Board of Fire Commissioners
North Greece Fire District