

ENDWELL FIRE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
July 16, 2015

Members Present:

Francis J. Pandich, Jr., Chairman  
George M. Bush, Secretary  
Ronald Materese  
Donald Battaglini  
Carlton Anderson

Others Present:

Joseph Shoemaker, Asst. Chief  
Thomas Palazzo, Asst. Chief  
Kevin Leniek, Asst. Chief  
Mike Major, Watson Engineering  
Anthony Fiacco, Treasurer  
Alice Fiacco, Administrative Assistant

During the work session Mike Major of Watson Engineering discussed the bathroom bids.

Chairman Pandich called the meeting to order at 6:25 pm.

Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2015, meeting. All aye; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to accept the Treasurer's Report. All aye; motion carried.

Hearing of Visitors: None.

Unfinished Business:

1. Mike Major of Watson Engineering advised that he has the proper paperwork from Bionco Builders for prevailing wage and it appears that their bid is in order.
2. Westover Fire Protection District: Nothing new to report.
3. Endicott Water: The Chief received a call today from Dave Baker from the Village of Endicott complaining about us using hydrants for pump testing. The Chief advised that this was necessary and that the water board had never gotten back to us with any hydrants that we can use. The Chief advised him that he had contacted the Village Water Board (including Mr. Baker) following their meeting to see if they had come up with any usable hydrants for us and no one had replied. Mr. Baker said he would follow up on this.
4. Floor coating, st #1: Watson Engineering is working on this.
5. SAM/DASNY grant: Paperwork was submitted last month. We have not heard anything. We will contact DASNY and try to find out when this will be finalized.
6. Uniform closet: No report.
7. Part-time person: We have interviewed some candidates. We will discuss this in executive session at the end of the meeting.
8. Thermal imaging camera: Tyler has not replied to our letters or our attorney's letter asking to return our camera. Bullard has a "goodwill" clause where they might be able to help us out by repairing the camera that we do have. We will follow up with Bullard since Tyler will not respond to us.
9. Fire district study: We are waiting to hear from Les Adams to see when he will be starting this.
10. St #1 CCTV: We have a quote from Sentry to replace the video recorder on the station #1 security system for \$5250. This is a proprietary system and Sentry is the only one who can service this. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Anderson to have Sentry purchase and install the new recorder. All aye; motion carried. Noted that the quote does not mention installation, we will check to be sure that the price includes installation.

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11. Discussion of increasing umbrella policy on insurance. We currently have an umbrella policy for \$2/\$4 million. To increase to \$5/\$10 million will cost an additional \$3,009 per year. Motion by Member Materese, second by Member Anderson to increase the umbrella coverage to \$5/\$10 million. All aye; motion carried.
12. AV equipment for training room: Chief is researching this.
13. Replacement values for vehicles on insurance: Discussion of some of the smaller vehicles, chiefs cars, utility, etc. Lights and sirens should be included in the vehicle replacement price. Motion by Member Materese, second by Member Bush to change the values as follows:
  - 2004 Ford utility (currently listed at \$23,000) to \$40,000
  - 2007 For (currently listed at \$18,950) to \$25,000
  - All chief's vehicles (currently 2012 Tahoe listed at \$37,711; 2015 Tahoes (2) listed at \$33,726; 2015 Silverado listed at \$33,692) all to be listed at \$45,000.All aye; motion carried.
14. Drug testing: Discussion of what we should do on this. We will research and see what others are doing.
15. Inside Broome: We posted an article on this about our May calls. We should continue to post information on our activities online to let residents know about our activities.
16. Chief has submitted a DEC grant, waiting to hear if it is approved.

New Business:

1. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to approve the following vouchers for payment:
  - Vouchers # 07-001 to #07-068 totaling \$189,192.02 from the 2015 General Fund
  - Vouchers #08-001 to #08-002 totaling \$1,773.50 from the 2015 general fund (supplemental list)All aye; motion carried.
2. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to approve the petty cash report and reimburse the petty cash fund \$92.38. All aye; motion carried.
3. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to approve the list of transfers submitted. All aye; motion carried.
4. Building report:
  - a) Vegetation spraying: Received quotes from Ehlich to spray for vegetation at station #1 for \$341.00 and station #2 for \$265.00. Discussion followed; did not feel the spraying at station #2 was effective with killing the bamboo that is growing there. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to approve vegetation spraying at station #1. All aye; motion carried.
  - b) Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Materese to have CFE Roofing repair the leak in the roof at station #1 at a cost of \$350. All aye; motion carried.
  - c) Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Materese to purchase an additional vacuum cleaner to make one available in the workout room for not-to-exceed \$150.00. All aye; motion carried. Luigi DiRusso has volunteered to keep the workout room clean.
5. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to approve the following use of the community room:  
11/7/15 M-E Drama Club for an after play cast party \$200 security deposit only  
All aye; motion carried.
6. Chief's Report: Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Materese to approve the Chief's Report. All aye; motion carried.
7. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to accept the Support Services Division Report. All aye; motion carried.

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8. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to accept the Maintenance Division Report. All aye; motion carried.
9. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to accept the Training Division Report. All aye; motion carried.
10. Fire company report:
  - a) Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to accept the following three members who were voted in by the fire company: Michael Hunker, William Kimmler V, and Andrew Slavetskias. All aye; motion carried.
  - b) The fire company dropped Chris Ousterout for failure to meet hourly requirements for the past year. They placed the following members on probation for failure to meet the company time requirements for the last six-month period: Chris Bahnuk, Joe Battaglini, Craig Bogart, Greg Campbell, Zach Solonika, Patrick Spisak, Kurt Volberg, Bryce Williams and Matthew Winchell.
11. County Legislator Jason Shaw advised that he is trying to get the property located at 1605 Davis Avenue torn down as a hazard.
12. Members would like to purchase and wear pink duty shirts in October to support Breast Cancer awareness. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Materese to approve purchase of the shirts. Interested members can use incentive points or purchase if they want a shirt. All aye; motion carried. Member Bush asked if we shouldn't do something for prostate cancer awareness since we have at least a couple members who are survivors of this.
13. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Anderson to approve the contract with EBE Business Systems for \$907.00 for maintenance of the Sharp Copier. All aye; motion carried.
14. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to accept the \$200 donation from Our Saviour Lutheran Church. All aye; motion carried.
15. Request from AFDSNY to put names of all Fire Commissioners on their mailing list and to provide names, addresses and phone numbers for their directory. Members okayed providing their information to AFDSNY.
16. Discussion of apparatus floor. As long as we will be re-coating the apparatus floor we might want to paint, as the room has not been painted in 20 years. Also discussion of lockers which are coming off the wall in places. Should we try to repair or replace? Suggested that we get prices on replacing the lockers. We also had some pricing on replacing the lights on the apparatus floor, we may want to look into replacing these also.

Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to go into Executive Session at 8:15 to discuss personnel issues. All aye; motion carried.

Out of executive session at 8:50 pm. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to hire a part-time clerk at a salary of \$13.50/hour, 15-20 hours per week. All aye; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

George M. Bush  
Secretary

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