

ENDWELL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
November 19, 2015

Members Present:

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

Others Present:

Joseph Shoemaker, Asst. Chief
Thomas Palazzo, Asst. Chief
Kevin Leniek
Robert Brady
Jake Polovchak
Erika Pereira, Clerk
Bill Van Gorder, NBT-Mang Insurance
Anthony Fiacco, Treasurer
Alice Fiacco, Administrative Assistant

Prior to the meeting Bill Van Gorder of NBT-Mang insurance went over a revised insurance quote with the Board. He also went through some of the differences between the Utica National Insurance quote from Harter-Hill Insurance and the ESIP quote from NBT-Mang.

Chairman Pandich called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm.

Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Anderson to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2015 meeting. All aye; motion carried.

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

Hearing of Visitors: Matt Hamzik of the fire officers' nominating committee requested a waiver of one class for Robert Holmes so that he can run for assistant chief. He has a two-year fire science degree and 18 years of experience; he served as assistant chief in 2014. He has been allowed in the past to run for officer. Fire company bylaws require that he must receive a waiver from the board and chief to do this.

Unfinished Business:

1. Bathroom remodeling: No report.
2. Endicott Water: Nothing to report.
3. Floor coating: This will be done in the spring.
4. SAM/DASNY grant: This was awarded to us over a year ago and we still have not seen the money. Perhaps we can contact Senator Akshar's office and see if they can assist us in getting this finalized.
5. Uniform closet: Almost complete.
6. Thermal imaging camera: Bullard has advised they will give us a brand new camera for the \$2600 repair cost on the current camera. They are finalizing this with their office.
7. Apparatus wall painting: Trucks will have to be moved outside for this, so we will have to wait for warmer weather.
8. Fire district study: Hoping to see a draft of this soon.
9. Kitchen renovations: We are waiting on a part for the dishwasher hook up and then everything will be completed. We had a complaint about the fact that there is no longer a freezer in the kitchen. We will check into getting a small freezer for the room.
10. E1 sale: Waiting on information from Chief to sell this.

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11. Deputy Treasurer: Chris and Betty Sullivan had expressed interest in this position. The Treasurer will meet with them to go over what needs to be done. Bonnie Beeman also said she was interested.
12. Insurance quotes: Board wants time to go over quotes. Will hold a special meeting on Monday, November 30, at 6 pm, to discuss the quotes.
13. Mondorf & Fenwick response to our letter. They will try to get things done more quickly next year. They have submitted their bill and it was \$6500 as promised. The Treasurer recommended that we continue with them for one more year. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Materese to have Mondorf & Fenwick do the 2015 audit. All aye; motion carried.
14. Ethics Board: We need to come up with a couple more people for the Ethics Board. Member Materese may know a couple people who might be willing to serve on this. Chairman Pandich will also talk to Matt Cook to see if he is still willing to serve on this. We should get this board together to meet and discuss our ethics policy.
15. NYSEG rebates: We discussed the NYSEG rebates with Tom Dunn. Enerpath had indicated that after December 1, the rebates would decrease. Dunn Electric had heard the rebates would increase after December 1. We are waiting for a call back from Dunn for more information.

New Business:

1. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Anderson to approve bills:
Vouchers #11-001 to 11-082 totaling \$124,126.06 and
Vouchers #12-001 to 12-008 totaling \$2,062.07 and
Voucher #12-302 from 2014 (Mondorf & Fenwick).
All aye; motion carried.
2. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Materese to approve the purchase request for a new file cabinet for the Treasurer for \$452. All aye; motion carried. The cabinet he is using now will be moved and used by board members.
3. Motion by Member Anderson, second by Member Bush to approve lines transfers submitted. All aye; motion carried.
4. Building report: Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Anderson to replace the motor on the overhead day for bay #4 at a cost of \$1,250.00 All aye; motion carried.
5. Community room: Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Anderson to approve the following events:
1/10/2016 - Southern Tier Bicycle Club, annual meeting, \$200 security deposit.
All aye; motion carried.
6. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Anderson to accept the Support Services report. All aye; motion carried.
7. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Anderson to accept the Maintenance Division Report. All aye; motion carried. Discussion of problems with new Tahoe; it has been back to Gault several times for repairs. Talking to them about invoking the lemon law due to the many problems with this vehicle.
8. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Anderson to accept the Training Division Report. All aye; motion carried.
9. Fire company: Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Materese to grant an exemption for Robert Holmes to run for Assistant Chief. This applies for 2016 only. All aye; motion carried.
10. Motion by Member Anderson, second by Member Bush to allow for Toys For Tots collection at station #1 and permit district vehicles be used to transport toys to the Toys for Tots office. All aye; motion carried.

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11. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Materese to accept \$250 donation from Christopher and Rochelle Ryan. This will go into the AED Fund. All aye; motion carried.
12. Received e-mail from Broome County Legislator Jason Shaw requesting a letter of support for funding to demolish a building at 1605 Davis Ave which is abandoned. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Materese to approve a letter of support to be sent. All aye; motion carried.
13. Fire company requested permission to hang fire company composite photos from 2015 and 1994 by the front entrance. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Materese to permit this. All aye; motion carried.

Motion by Member Materese, second by Member Anderson to go into Executive Session at 7:40 pm. All aye; motion carried.

Out of executive session at 8:15 pm with no action taken.

Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Materese to adjourn at 8:15 pm. All aye; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

George M. Bush
Secretary
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