

**ENDWELL FIRE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
October 17, 2017**

**Members:**

Francis J. Pandich, Chairman  
Mickey Bush, Secretary  
Ronald Materese  
Andy Anderson  
Don Battaglini

**Others present:**

Mike Battaglini, Asst. Chief  
Anthony Fiacco, Treasurer  
Erika Pereira, Administrative Assistant  
Jake Polovchak

Chairman Pandich called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET:** Chairman Pandich went over the proposed budget.

Member Materese would like to see \$50,000 from the unallocated money placed into the equipment fund at the end of the year.

There were no comments therefore the public hearing was closed at 6:30 pm.

Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Anderson to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2017 board meeting. All aye; motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Anderson to accept the Treasurer's Report. All aye; motion carried.

**HEARING OF VISITORS: NONE**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Bathroom remodeling: Construction is still underway on the bathroom. Tile work is in progress.
2. Display Case for Community Room: Waiting on Paul Spisak, Jr. to provide a quote. No action at this time.
3. Station 3 – Renovate or New Build: The Board feels it is not ready to sign the proposal at the moment and move forward with constructing a new station. They would like to meet with the officers to gain some more insight on what should be done with the Station.
4. Back parking lot: Member Battaglini stated that it is too late in the season to have the crack seal and pavement markings done so there is no point in getting price quotes at the moment. The Board decided to put this project on hold until next year. The Board would like to advertise for the project in March.
5. Station 1 Front Area Sign: The Board has decided not to go with the Delta Engineering original plans. They are thinking they should keep the design as is and just put two watchfire boards in and place the O.L. Davis sign on the bottom. Member Battaglini will meet with some sign companies to get some quotes.
6. Station 1 Generator: T&B Electric quoted a price of \$64,500 to install a new 400 amp generator. We are currently waiting on A.C. Spear to provide their quote.
7. Station 1 Apparatus Floor: Member Anderson stated that there has not been any complaints about the floor being slippery. Member Anderson did state he will make sure the members are following the proper cleaning procedure.
8. Firefighter Participation Form: We are still currently waiting for the updated form to be sent. A follow up attempt was made but have not had a response back.
9. Alarm Wiring Removal: Member Anderson stated he has been in contact with National Cable and they have been

busy. They will continue with removal once work slows down a bit.

10. Hydrant Usage: Member Pandich has not made any action at the moment. He will try and reach out to Ted Warner the Secretary/Chairman for the Water Board to see if we can get a response for using some hydrants.
11. New Ductless Heating & Cooling Unit: Rich VanVorce from Petcosky & Sons provided a quote for installing a new ductless unit in the Assistant Officer's room and community room kitchen for a cost of \$12,187.00. The Board would like to see how much more it would cost to add a new unit in the Chief's office.
12. ME Central District Art Club Mural: Captain Robert Congdon stated that Art Club will be drawing up some ideas and the Art Teacher will review them and try to incorporate the best ideas together. Once they have come up with their idea they will present it and the Board can approve. Member Anderson has met with Jeff's Painting to see what the cost would be for him to paint the walls and patch up. Bianco construction will remove the middle outlet and towel dispenser on the wall be removed for the project.
13. Pest Control: We are waiting on Southern Tier Pest Control to seal the current entrances to prevent birds from nesting.
14. NY Paid Family Leave Legislation: The Board would like to meet with William VanGorder, our Account Rep with NBT-Mang Insurance Agency, or a member in his office to discuss the NY Paid Family Leave Program and would like for NBT to provide us with a quote for disability insurance.
15. Bailout window simulator: Assistant Chief Mike Battaglini will look at putting together the design for the bailout window as well as a roof simulator and submit a proposal for both.
16. There was a brief discussion about trying to shorten the training process for Firefighter I for our members. Assistant Chief Mike Battaglini stated that probably the best person to discuss this with would be Dave Sales. Assistant Chief Mike Battaglini stated that when the Board was ready to sit down and discuss possible reworking our requirements he could have Dave meet with them.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Motion by Member Anderson, second by Member Battaglini to pay bills:
  - Vouchers #10-001 to 10-055 totaling \$80,183.27
  - Supplemental Payment List: Vouchers 11-001 to 11-008 totaling \$3,464.80
 All aye; motion carried.
2. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to approve the line transfers submitted. All aye, motion carried.

3. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to approve the following events in the community room:

Date	Times	Requested by	Use	Cost	Comments
11-04-2017	5:00 pm - Midnight	Dan Clink	ME Drama Club After Show Party	\$200 Security Deposit	
11-07-2017	5:30 am – 9:30 pm	Broome County Board of Elections	General Election	No Fees	

4. Chiefs Report: Chief requested permission to send apparatus to Veteran's Day Parade in Binghamton on November 11; Johnson City Holiday Parade on November 30; Endicott Holiday parade on December 2. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Anderson to attend the parades. All aye; motion carried.

Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to give Mark Storm equivalency for FF1. All aye; motion carried.

Motion by Member Anderson, second by Member Materese to accept the Chief's Report. All aye; motion carried.

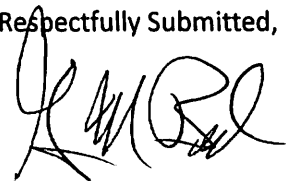
5. Support Services Report: Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to approve the Support Services Report. All aye; motion carried.
6. Maintenance Division Report: Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to accept the Maintenance Division Report. All aye; motion carried.
7. Training Division Report: Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Anderson to accept the Training Division Report. All aye; motion carried.
8. 2018 Budget: Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to approve the proposed 2018 budget with a total of \$1,216,759 of which \$1,186,259 will be raised by taxes. All aye; motion carried.
9. 2017 Notice of Annual Election: Motion by Member Anderson, second by Member Battaglini to hold the annual election on Tuesday December 12 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm and to appoint Charlotte Bush as election chairperson and Bonnie Beeman and Joan Simons as tellers. Each to be paid \$35 for their time. All aye; motion carried.
10. Station 3 Fence: Member Battaglini received a price quote from Budget Fence for \$9, 150.00 to furnish and install 148ft. of 8ft tall chain link fence. Member Battaglini is still waiting on another price quote. Motion by member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to not exceed \$10,000 for the project. All aye; motion carried.
11. CAPTCHA on the Endwell Fire Website: John Hussar from Grey Goose Graphics brought to our attention that our hosting companies is requiring including CAPTCHA on all email forms. In order to correct this issue Grey Goose Graphics will need to charge for their time to update our website. The proposed time would be 30 minutes per form or \$30 per form. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Anderson to approve Grey Goose Graphics to update our website with CAPTCHA. All aye; motion carried.
12. Member Battaglini brought up that the lettering on the chief's vehicle should be looked at being replaced. They are starting to crack and bubble. He stated he would look into how much it would cost and different design for the vehicles.

Motion by Member Anderson, second by Member Battaglini to adjourn meeting at 7:06 pm. All aye; motion carried.

Chairman Pandich would like to hold an executive session. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Anderson to go into Executive Session at 7:07 pm. All aye; motion carried.

Out of executive session at 7:15 pm with no action taken.

Respectfully Submitted,



George M. Bush  
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