# Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners Lido and Point Lookout Fire District Held June 16, 2015

\*\*\*Approved Minutes\*\*\*

**Meeting** was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Richter

**Present:** Comm. Richter,, Comm. Paz, Comm. Weitz, Chief Wiener, Chief Guerin, Chief Siegelman, District Treasurer Kelly Fitzsimons and District Secretary Terri Ryan.

**Not Present:** Comm. Thompson, family medical issue; Comm. Naham, illness; Chief

Guerin and Chief Siegelman, EMT Class Refresher.

The Board of Fire Commissioners would like to extend their condolences to the members of the MacDonald Family on the passing of

John MacDonald, Jr.

Chief of Department 1959-1960

Named Life Member in 1961

76 year member of Rescue Company

He will be missed

Speakers without appointments: None present

Speakers with appointments: Ben DiVenti, DiVenti & Lee, CPAs

Harold Wondsel, LOSAP Administrator

<u>Minutes</u> of meeting held June 2, 2015 were approved on Motion by Comm. Weitz, seconded by Comm. Paz. Accepted 3-0.

## **Communications:**

1. One (1) Tri-Party Collateral Agreement Statements from BNY Mellon/M & T Bank.

**Speakers without appointments**: (Time allotted three (3) minutes) None present.

# **Speakers with appointments:**

#### Ben DiVenti, DiVenti & Lee, CPAs

- 1. Presented Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement.
- 2. Asked about reimbursement to Company 1. Company allotment policy was explained.
- 3. Marcie Burke check will be voided.
- 4. \$343.08 not allocated to anything. District Treasurer will take care of.
- 5. Asked about difference in diesel fuel costs this year. It was explained that the price of diesel has come down from last year. District Secretary will forward spreadsheet for fuel.
- 6. Apparatus repairs must be better defined.
- 7. Discussion of supplies. More items will be entered for supplies. EMS Supplies for example.
- 8. Discussion of General Repairs and separating the gas leak situation at YOF, which should be under Buildings and Grounds.
- 9. The new Chiefs' Office should also go under B & G.
- 10. Discussion of pre-emptor light at Lido. The existing system had to be repaired
- 11. There is \$4,000 that is uncategorized. Believe it is from the credit card.
- 12. We have to prepare the 2016 budget.
- 13. Discussed the new ruling regarding saving 1% of budget. It has been decided that we will save \$10,000 per year.
- 14. Chief asked about Department and Company audits. Ben said that George is working on these.
- 15. Discussion of Junior Departments. Ben will attend our meeting on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## Harold Wondsel, LOSAP Administrator

- 1. Gave copies of Actuarial Report to all.
- 2. We paid VFIS \$163, 385 for LOSAP. When we received actual bill was \$169,462, therefore, a voucher is submitted tonight for \$6,077.
- 3. Andrew Richter will be retained in July.
- 4. Need paperwork to put all new members into LOSAP system.
- 5. Discussed members whose insurance is dropped when they have not made LOSAP points in 2 years.

#### **Chief's Report:**

- 1. Lt. Riskin introduced Osmin Orellano, Vincent Varricchio, and William Magale, Jr. All paperwork is in order. All are applying to Co. 1. Motion by Comm. Weitz to accept all to the Department. Seconded by Comm. Paz. They were sworn in by Comm. Richter.
- 2. Lt. Wade introduced Dante Vittor to be sworn into the Junior Department. All paperwork is in order. Motion by Comm. Paz to accept Dante to the Junior Department. Seconded by Comm. Weitz. Accepted 3-0. He was sworn in by Comm. Richter.
- 3. Discussion of 2 Richmond Road. According to Shari Morse, the building manager, the upgrades for the buildings fire safety are going nicely. Stairwells are now sprinklered and reflective numbers are on apartment doors. The Fire Marshal's Office visits on a regular basis and the building is in full compliance. Discussion of zone valves to sprinkler system.
- 4. Stated that Fire School is going nicely and that there are 2 nights left.
- 5. Asked about pick-up of gear for cleaning. Was told 10-15 sets will be picked-up on the 26<sup>th</sup>.
- 6. Asked about a grant for gas meters. Comm. Weitz stated that it is being worked on and is about 50% complete.
- 7. Discussion of purchase of new gear.
- 8. Asked about purchase of 11 Scott cylinders. Was told 11 will be ordered this year.

- 9. Co 1 and Lido are having drills on Tuesdays. Departmental drills are also being done.
- 10. Joey Eberhart is going for his physical. Asking for an exemption, that if he passes his department physical with IOMR, he be able to be sworn as soon as possible, as the next meeting is not for five weeks. The Board agreed, and Comm. Richter stated that he will swear Joey in at a mutually agreeable time soon after notification from IOMR of a Class "A" capable physical result.
- 11. TOH Fireworks will be the 27<sup>th</sup>. We have stand-by crews set.
- 12. Parade on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Class B uniforms. Step-off is 10:00 AM.
- 13. Asked to have grounds keeper clear weeds in back of Lido firehouse. District Secretary will speak with Comm. Naham about this. Comm. Weitz will have someone clear Rescue property.
- 14. Need ten photo frames for Ex-Chiefs' pictures.
- 15. Did a walk through at 70 Bayside Drive. It is light weight material and they will also have an elevator. Information has been put into RedAlert system. We will be doing a walk through at the new home on Garden City Ave. as well.
- 16. Asking for an additional fluorescent light in the meeting room at Lido as it is too dark. Comm. Naham will be asked to contact Stephen Merola.
- 17. Also, the ice machine still needs to be connected.
- 18. Comm. Weitz stated that AED batteries requested by the Chief have been ordered.
- 19. Comm. Weitz asked about Social Media Policy. Was told that meetings are being scheduled for Social Media Policy and By-Laws after July 4<sup>th</sup>.
- 20. Asked about RedAlert app. Discussion followed.
- 21. Comm. Weitz asked about storage container. Discussion followed. Have to check out how shelving should be put into container.
- 22. Comm. Richter asked about training. Discussed work that is to be done at training center.
- 23. Comm. Richter stated that 2561 is at Chivvis and should be done by the end of the week. Next will be the radios and lights. Will speak with Vinnie about locks.
- 24. Comm. Richter asked about mandated OSHA training which should be done. Chief stated that there was a meeting at the Second Battalion and PESH was there and gave a presentation. Discussion followed regarding drills.
- 25. Comm. Richter asked about night stand-by. Chief stated that it is the same people. Discussion followed.
- 26. Comm. Weitz would like someone to attend the Grand Opening of the LB Emergency Center on July 1, 2015. We received an invitation. Discussion followed. Chief stated that they have a walk-through scheduled for June 29th.

## **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:**

## Comm. Paz:

1. Nothing further to report.

#### Comm. Richter:

- 1. Reminder the meeting about Juniors will be June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 PM. Discussion followed.
- 2. The turn-out on the call to Tom Manning's home was very well attended. Thank you to all. Spoke with Tom. He is doing better.
- 3. Discussion of NC ambulances out of service.
- 4. Hearing regarding YOF is Tuesday, June 23 at 4 PM in Hempstead. Steve and I will go over everything with Bob Guido.
- 5. Discussion of LB EMS. It was stated that one of their vehicles is out of service and also that it is taking such a long time at SNCH Emergency Room.

- 6. Discussion of property behind HQ. It was stated that it is not a viable option for us. They are asking too much.
- 7. Attended a meeting at Dept of Conservation and Waterways with NYS Energy Development. Looking to put in a micro grid for emergency power. This project will take a few years and this is just the beginning stage. There will be a conference call on July 9<sup>th</sup>.
- 8. Motion to go into Executive Session for reason of personnel and possible legal matter at 9:04 PM by Comm. Richter. Seconded by Comm. Paz. Accepted 3-0. Returned to regular meeting at 9:20 PM.

# Comm. Weitz:

1. Discussed committee to pay bills every week during the summer. Comms. Weitz and Paz will review vouchers along with District Treasurer, in order for bills to be paid in a timely fashion.

# **District Secretary's Report:**

- 1. PCRs were sent to REMSCO on June 3, 2015.
- 2. Blanchfield was here Thursday, June 11 working on 2014 audit. The audit should be completed in about a week.
- 3. AUD Report revised by NYS as of 6/11/2015. Revised copy in District files and both DiVenti & Lee and Blanchfield have copies.
- 4. Bank reconciliation for Chase checking account was performed for period ending May 29, 2015. The account is fully reconciled.
- 5. Keypad for 252 door ordered. Should be in by the end of the week.
- 6. 253 and 254 annual maintenance will be performed by Sutphen East on July 1, 2015.
- 7. Exxon Mobil credit cards received for 2500 (002), 2501 (008), 2502 (004) and 257 (006). Cards were given out. Card (007) in file.
- 8. Next meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2015.

#### **District Treasurer's Report:**

- 1. After bills tonight, balance in checking is \$177,741.27.
- 2. Received \$70.00 check from LBCSD for use of HQ for their election in May.
- 3. Received and deposited \$600 check reimbursement from Republican Club.

Abstract of bills was presented and approved on motion by the Comm. Paz, seconded by Comm. Weitz, accepted 3-0 and notarized by the District Secretary. Abstract will be held in the District files.

**Meeting adjourned** at 9:21 p.m. on motion by Comm. Paz, seconded by Comm. Weitz. Accepted 3-0.

Next Meeting Date: July 21, 2015

Scheduled for next regular meeting: Ben DiVenti, DiVenti & Lee CPAs

Minutes respectfully submitted by T. Ryan