

Board of Fire Commissioners

Greenfield Fire District
P.O. Box 103
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The March 2007 meeting of the Greenfield Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at Company #1 by Acting Chairman Spackmann at 7:01 PM on March 14, 2007. The flag salute and a moment of silence were recognized for the departed.

Present were:

Commissioners: King, Robarge, Spackmann, Waite;
Secretary Petkus, Treasurer Bishop, P/A Howe;
Chief McConkey; Assistant Chiefs: Gibbins, Murray, Ellsworth, Lant; 2nd Assistant Chiefs: Davis, King.
Please see sign in sheet for others in attendance.

Acting Chairman Spackmann asked for any additions/corrections to the February 2007 meeting minutes.

RESOLUTION #58 TO ACCEPT THE FEBRUARY 2007 MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

MOTION: Waite

SECOND: King

RESOLVED to accept the February 2007 meeting minutes as written.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Acting Chairman Spackmann asked for questions/comments regarding abstract.

Commissioner Waite requested that Claim #169 for \$947.32 be held until the job is done, which he said would be about another week.

RESOLUTION #59 TO POSTPONE PAYMENT OF CLAIM #169 UNTIL THE JOB IS COMPLETED TO COMMISSIONER WAITE'S SATISFACTION.

MOTION: Waite

SECOND: Robarge

RESOLVED to postpone payment of claim #169 until the job is completed to Commissioner Waite's satisfaction.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTION #60 TO PAY CLAIM #70, AND CLAIM #121 THROUGH CLAIM #170, EXCLUDING CLAIM #169, TOTALING \$82,028.17.

A3410.1	\$ 2,315.52
A3410.2	7,463.75
A3410.4	65,577.90
A9040.8	1,006.00
A9080.8	5,665.00
Total:	\$ 82,028.17

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Robarge

RESOLVED to pay claim #70, and claim #121 through claim #170, excluding claim #169, totaling \$82,028.17.

RESOLUTION #61 TO PAY CLAIM #2 OUT OF THE EQUIPMENT RESERVE FUND TO CENTER FOR SECURITY AS FINAL PAYMENT FOR THE SECURITY SYSTEM, TOTALING \$8,453.00.

MOTION: Robarge

SECOND: Waite

RESOLVED to pay claim #2 out of the Equipment Reserve Fund to Center for Security as final payment for the security system, totaling \$8,453.00.

VOTE: Yes: Robarge, Spackmann, Waite; Abstain: King. Motion carried.

Acting Chairman Spackmann asked if Commissioner King would like to discuss it, who replied not at this time.

Correspondence:

*Association of Fire Districts of the Capital Area is having their annual workshop on Saturday, May 19, 2007. To be held at Thomas Corners Fire Department in Glenville. Cost is \$25 per person. She put copies in the Commissioners' boxes. Please let her know if anyone is interested in going. Limit of 100 persons, so please let her know ASAP. Cut off date is May 14th. She will remind everyone at the April meeting.

RESOLUTION #62 APPROVING ATTENDANCE AND PAYMENT FOR THE ASSOCIATION OF FIRE DISTRICTS OF THE CAPITAL AREA WORKSHOP AT THOMAS CORNERS FIRE DEPARTMENT.

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: King

RESOLVED to approve attendance and payment for the Association of Fire Districts of the Capital Area workshop at Thomas Corners Fire Department.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

*Firemen's Home is having a formal dedication ceremony coming up on Sunday, September 16, 2007. Copy was given to the Chief.

*Defensive Driver Course by LC Insurance has been set up for the following dates: Sat 4/14 @ Co #1, Sat 4/21 @ Co #4, Sat 4/28 @ Co #1. Time for those dates is 9 am to 3 pm. Also Wed/Thurs night May 15th and 16th @ Co #1 6-9 pm each night. Please arrive 15 minutes early. There is a maximum of 30-35 people in each class so please call Joyce and sign up ASAP. Assistant Chiefs were each given a sign to post at each firehouse.

Commissioner Robarge asked that if a spouse cannot make it, can they bring a son or daughter instead? Acting Chairman Spackmann said yes.

Applications for membership:

Greenfield Center Company #1: None.

Porter Corners Company #2: Katherine Natalie, Krysina DeTraglia.

Middle Grove Company #3: None.

Maple Avenue Company #4: None.

Changes in membership:

Greenfield Center Company #1: Richard Huestis, Sr., requested change to Distinguished for 20 years of service.

Porter Corners Company #2: None.

Middle Grove Company #3: None.

Maple Avenue Company #4: None.

RESOLUTION #63 TO ACCEPT ABOVE NEW MEMBERS AND CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP.

MOTION: Waite

SECOND: Spackmann

RESOLVED to accept above new members and changes in membership.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Purchasing - P/A Howe

*Has PO to be signed to fix the jaws at Maple Avenue.

*Gave out to each Assistant Chief tonight their allotment report. Reminded them that they would be getting this every month and if there were any discrepancies please contact the Treasurer and they will all get together to double check.

*Has 3 deliveries for A/C Ellsworth tonight.

Reports from Companies:

Company #1 – A/C Gary Gibbins

*Was not aware that the cell phone for the rescue truck had been shut off. Requested that he get a new one or have that one turned back on. What he presently has is capable of faxing. Spoke with P/A Howe and she informed him that Nextel cannot fax. He recommends we go back to Cingular with that phone so he has fax capability. Commissioner Robarge asked A/C Lant if he has fax capability on his rescue truck, to which he replied no. A/C Gibbins noted they did originally until they switched to Nextel. Acting Chairman Spackmann noted that there was a reason back then that Nate King, the Assistant Chief back then did not opt for it. Acting Chairman Spackmann also explained that one of the reasons they did that was that they are trying to cut costs and that both Jean and Jill did some research on the phones and there was very little usage on the phones. Chief McConkey suggested that maybe we could look into prepay phones. Discussion followed.

RESOLUTION #64 GIVING P/A HOWE PERMISSION TO RESEARCH FAX PHONE FOR THE RESCUE TRUCK.

MOTION: Robarge

SECOND: Waite

RESOLVED giving P/A Howe permission to research fax phone for the rescue truck.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner King asked if she would be getting back to the Commissioners by the next meeting. She said she would email them the information she gathers before that.

*Door opener is working very well for the MED. Would like to see the Commissioners purchase a couple more for the drive through bay if they can. Acting Chairman Spackmann clarified that he was asking for 2 and could that wait a month as it was Commissioner Kugler's responsibility.

*Asked for permission to buy a box of ceiling tiles for the kitchen area, to replace those damaged from the leak. Acting Chairman Spackmann noted that they would also be buying some for Middle Grove as well. Discussion followed. A/C Gibbins to coordinate with P/A Howe on that.

RESOLUTION #65 GIVING A/C GIBBINS PERMISSION TO PURCHASE THE CEILING TILES THEY NEED FOR CO #1.

MOTION: Robarge

SECOND: Waite

RESOLVED giving A/C Gibbins permission to purchase the ceiling tiles they need for Co #1.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

*About 10 years ago the Commissioners started an awards program by handing out pins and such. Are they going to continue that as the 60th Anniversary is coming up this year? A/C Lant clarified that they were pins for every 5 years of service beginning at 20 years. Acting Chairman Spackmann felt that there should be more than just pins given out. A/C Lant noted that at 20 years there was supposed to be a plaque. Discussion followed, and A/C Lant said he might have the list somewhere. The Commissioners agreed that it should be done. A/C Gibbins said he would get the recommendations together to present to the Board.

*Has a personnel issue and would like to go into executive session, regarding possible new member Richard Huestis, Jr. Acting Chairman Spackmann agreed to executive session at the end of the meeting.

Company #2 – A/C Scott Murray:

*Entrance door at the firehouse is sticking again. Commissioner Waite went to Allerdice and they are supposed to fax him an estimate, which he would like to run by 3 Commissioners. He also noted that Middle Grove has a problem too and Allerdice was supposed to look at that one too. A/C Gibbins noted that they should probably look at the Commissioners door then as well. It was noted that it could be from frost heave.

*At last month's meeting the Commissioners approved having the floor replaced; the members would like to paint the firehouse before the floor is done, which will be after the breakfasts are over.

RESOLUTION #66 GIVING PORTER CORNERS PERMISSION TO PURCHASE PAINT TO PAINT THE FIREHOUSE PRIOR TO THE NEW FLOOR BEING INSTALLED, AFTER THE BREAKFASTS.

MOTION: Waite

SECOND: Robarge

RESOLVED giving Porter Corners permission to purchase paint to paint the firehouse prior to the new floor being installed, after the breakfasts.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

*Gave Commissioner Waite 2 quotes for the tanker, 273, as the paint is starting to peel and there are rust spots.

*Asked if all the stations were going to get garage door openers. Acting Chairman Spackmann said there has been discussion about that and Commissioner Kugler is in charge of them, but obviously they wanted to have a trial period, and they do seem to be working.

*Asked if all the access cards and fobs were picked up by his members. Secretary Petkus said she did not know, she still had about 20 cards left. Some of his guys came in tonight to pick them up. She will break them down by company and email it over to them. He also asked if she could come down to Porters to hand them out as she had not been to Porters at all and had been to the other firehouses once or twice, and he has 30 guys. Secretary Petkus noted that he was right, but she had never gotten a chance to get over to Porters due to the truck vote and generator bid. She said she would look at her schedule and try to go there on Tuesday to hand out the rest. She did note that she thought the members from Porters had picked up the most cards; his guys have been really cooperative about it.

Company #3 – A/C Jay Ellsworth:

*Asked to be put on the garage door opener list as well.

*Talked about the water softener last month, has anyone contacted Toby on that? Acting Chairman Spackmann asked Commissioner King if he was the one who had agreed to take care of it; Commissioner King did not remember but he would look into it. Discussion followed.

*Adirondack 2 Way was here yesterday and looked at 84 and changed the antenna around on it, they are going to come back and put a bracket on that. Commissioner Waite explained what was done and eliminated the noise. Noted that Middle Grove was on the radio today trying to get fire control but they would not answer, but he heard it. The Chief was in Saratoga and he heard it as well. A/C Ellsworth said he would give it another week and run the truck see what the headphones sound like now. Concerned that the antenna is going to get knocked off the way it is now. Commissioner Waite noted that it was only temporary.

*Talked to Commissioner King earlier tonight about the piece of property that goes from the firehouse out to Middle Grove Road, there was a problem there last year as well. There is a concrete truck parked on District property and there's a ton of concrete forms piled on our part of the property. They were piled there after the snow and now the snow is starting to melt and the forms are starting to tip and some if some kid is playing over there and they tip there going to be a pretty good lawsuit. Truck has been there for months. More discussion followed. A/C Ellsworth also noted that part of their driveway is on District property and they had agreed to continue to let them use it. Acting Chairman Spackmann asked Secretary Petkus to draft a letter for the Commissioners. She said she would take care of that right away and have the Commissioners review it prior to mailing it out.

Company #4 – A/C John Lant:

*Talked about the bill for 292 and contacted Ed Tremblay about it and he said it takes time.

*With the access system at the fire house, will the doors still open with a key? Acting Chairman Spackmann noted that they would; A/C Lant asked for more keys to be made. P/A Howe to take care of that.

*Asked about the lights on the south side of the building. Acting Chairman Spackmann noted that Mr. Bullard is coordinating with Commissioner Kugler about that.

*Noted that Gary Bullard does a lot of the fire reports, takes them home to do them, would like to give it to maybe Ms. Gibbins since she gets paid to do them, it's a lot of work to do. Acting Chairman

Spackmann noted he has spoken to the other Assistant Chiefs as well about it, and over the summer months they should sit down and talk about how to make that system a lot better including having someone else do them. Treasurer Bishop added that she had done fire reports for many years, and there is no way she can tell what happened at a fire over at Maple Avenue, she does not have input unless it's already on a piece of paper. A/C Lant said he would give the fire report they make out, and they have gotten better about putting the information on it. Acting Chairman Spackmann added that there is triple entry right now, which is an inherently inefficient system.

Report of Chief McConkey:

*291 is back in service. Acting Chairman Spackmann noted that he got lunch and toll receipts from Mr. Bogardus and they have been submitted to Jill for a PO. Asked A/C Lant to relay their thanks to Mr. Colucci and Mr. Bogardus.

*Regarding the books, John has them here but he still needs them for the course.

Report of EMS Coordinator Gary Gibbins:

*March 27, 2007 at 7 pm at Co #1 is the blood born pathogen course that is an OSHA requirement for all 4 companies. Previously brought it up at the Officer's meeting.

*Each of the Commissioners have a letter of request for the expenditure of \$1,125 toward the purchase of one mass casualty O2 manifold hard case, which they had talked about last year but did not have the funds to purchase it. Acting Chairman Spackmann noted that although there is a new procurement policy to wait 30 days, this has been talked about for a year so he felt it did not fall under that category.

RESOLUTION #67 TO PAY \$1,125.00 TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF ONE MASS CASUALTY O2 MANIFOLD HARD CASE.

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Waite

RESOLVED to pay \$1,125.00 toward the purchase of one mass casualty O2 Manifold Hard Case.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

*The CO meter that we purchased for the other company has jumped up in price by about \$1,200.00. P/A Howe noted that when they first bought the other ones, they were introductory prices, which they were not aware of. Last year they were \$2,500.00. Now this year they are \$3,755.00. Middle Grove has \$2,500.00 from a private donation to help purchase this and A/C Gibbins would like to go ahead and purchase another one.

RESOLUTION #68 APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF ANOTHER CO METER AT \$3,755.00, TO BE HOUSED AT MIDDLE GROVE. \$2500.00 COMES FROM A PRIVATE DONATION GIVEN TO MIDDLE GROVE, WITH ANOTHER \$500 SUBTRACTED FOR RETURNING THE OTHER ONE FOR AN UPGRADE. TOTAL TO BE SUBTRACTED OUT OF THE EMS ACCOUNT WOULD BE \$755.

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: King

RESOLVED to approve the purchase of another CO meter at \$3,755.00, to be housed at Middle Grove. \$2500.00 comes from a private donation given to Middle Grove, with another \$500 subtracted for returning the other one for an upgrade. Total to be subtracted out of the EMS account would be \$755.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Grants – Andrea Mann:

*Not present.

Planning Board:

*For Town of Greenfield, Mike Chandler: About 2 weeks ago he met with the Chief and Assistant Chiefs about a big expansion at Brookview Mobile Village. It has been passed contingent on a letter from the fire department, which was drafted up already. Not sure who should sign it though.

RESOLUTION #69 TO APPOINT MIKE CHANDLER AS THE DISTRICT'S PLANNING BOARD DELEGATE FOR THE YEAR 2007.

MOTION: Robarge

SECOND: Waite

RESOLVED to appoint Mike Chandler as the District's Planning Board delegate for the year 2007.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTION #70 ALLOWING MIKE CHANDLER TO SIGN OFF ON THE LETTER REGARDING BROOKVIEW TRAILER PARK EXPANSION.

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Waite

RESOLVED allowing Mike Chandler to sign off on the letter regarding Brookview Trailer Park expansion.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Mr. Chandler has also spoken to Peter Kelleher at Sterling Engineering several times and they are aware of everything that is in the letter and he has no problems with that.

*Couple of small sub-divisions that are 2 or 3 lots, but not a whole lot going on there.

*Big project regarding the Polo club on Denton Road, but they are going through some financial problems. They don't know how far to take the sewer line, any future expansion, do they really want to pay for somebody else's project later. A/C Lant asked if we ever sent them an official letter saying we would like them to tie in to the City of Saratoga water system. Acting Chairman Spackmann said he did not believe so. Lengthy discussion followed; Commissioner Robarge asked Mr. Hyndman, resident of Denton Road if he could elaborate on the situation at all. Mr. Hyndman explained what he knew about the water situation and the Polo Club. Extended discussion followed; Commissioner King felt we should send a letter making a very strong suggestion that they tie in to the City of Saratoga water system. Commissioner Robarge said they could send a letter of recommendation. Acting Chairman Spackmann felt that before the letter was written there should be more research be done.

RESOLUTION #71 TO SEND A LETTER TO THE POLO CLUB STRONGLY RECOMMENDING THAT THEY TIE INTO THE CITY OF SARATOGA WATER SUPPLY.

MOTION: King

SECOND: Waite

RESOLVED to send a letter to the Polo Club strongly recommending that they tie into the City of Saratoga Water supply.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Acting Chairman Spackmann asked Commissioner King if he would be willing to rescind his motion and to rephrase it so that we would allow Mr. Chandler time to look into it more before the letter is written, as the Board does not know what the actual situation is. He felt we should urge them to do it, but he doesn't want to write a letter without knowing the background. Mr. Chandler had said that he doesn't quite know the whole situation. Mr. Chandler agreed with Acting Chairman Spackmann, because the Polo club doesn't really know what they are going to do. Commissioner Robarge suggested a little more fact finding and then send the letter.

Commissioner King agreed to withdraw his motion based on that. He then asked Mr. Chandler how soon he thought he could get a report back as to what they intend to do. He said he could try to get something back by next month, but realistically it could be 2 months. Commissioner King was concerned that we decide to back off on the letter and suddenly find out that the project went forward and have the Polo Club come back and say they didn't think it was an issue with the District. Mr. Chandler suggested that a letter could be sent that the water issue is a concern of the District. Commissioner King agreed to that.

RESOLUTION #72 ALLOWING MR. CHANDLER TO DRAFT A LETTER TO THE POLO CLUB ALONG WITH CHIEF MCCONKEY AND A/C LANT.

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: King

RESOLVED allowing Mr. Chandler to draft a letter to the Polo Club along with Chief McConkey and A/C Lant.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Secretary Petkus asked Mr. Chandler to contact her when he has the draft ready for her to type up.

*For Town of Wilton, Gary Bullard: not present.

Reports of the Commissioners:

Commissioner Robarge:

*On February 27th they had the bid opening for the generator. Two bids were received; Kinsley Power Systems for \$26,917.00 and Milton Cat for \$23,800.00. He, Harold Hall and Mike LaGalles reviewed the specs.

RESOLUTION #73 TO AWARD THE BID FOR ONE 100KW EMERGENCY GENERATOR AND TRANSFER SWITCH TO MILTON CAT POWER SYSTEMS.

MOTION: Robarge

SECOND: Waite

RESOLVED to award the bid for one 100KW emergency generator and transfer switch to Milton Cat Power Systems.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Also had two proposals for installation of said generator; one from K & J Electric in Glens Falls for \$17,536.00 and the other from Prize Construction in Scotia for \$18,180.00.

RESOLUTION #74 TO AWARD THE INSTALLATION BID TO K & J ELECTRIC IN GLENS FALLS FOR \$17, 536.00.

MOTION: Robarge

SECOND: Waite

RESOLVED to award the installation bid to K & J Electric in Glens Falls for \$17,536.00.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Robarge noted he would get in touch with both and set up the installation of the generator after the weather breaks.

*There was a little mix up on the training last month, he apologizes for that. The Chief and he are working on a training requisition sheet that will hopefully alleviate any problems in the future. Secretary Petkus is typing it up and it should be ready before next month for review.

*He also wanted to thank Harold Hall and Mike LaGalles for all their help with the generator.

Commissioner Waite:

*Yesterday he took care of all the portable radios and there was a mix up and they missed some mobile radios at Co #1, but he will come back and finish that. Channel 6 is still in all the radios but it's off the scan list so at least you can scan with it.

*Co #2 was inspected by the Town Fire Inspector, and the batteries in their emergency lights are shot, when the power goes off. According to the building inspector you can go out and buy the lights cheaper than you can get the batteries. There are also 2 exit lights that need to be put up and he would like to get LED's because every time the door closes they blow a bulb. A/C Murray asked to replace all the lights of the outside fixtures. 2nd A/C Davis asked if an electrician was going to do it, and if so, have him replace the outside light because once a week they are changing a bulb. The Chief suggested that whoever you hire go to all four firehouses because he is sure there are others that will need to be replaced. More discussion followed. A/C Ellsworth noted they probably have 2 or 3 emergency lights that are out and need to be replaced. A/C Murray also suggested that maybe we should approach the Town about getting copies of these fire inspections for area businesses so we know what kind of fire hazards are out there. Discussion followed; Acting Chairman Spackmann asked Mike Chandler to look into it.

RESOLUTION #75 TO TAKE CARE OF THE EMERGENCY LIGHTING FOR ALL FOUR STATIONS AND LOOK AT THE OUTSIDE LIGHTS AT PORTER CORNERS.

MOTION: Waite

SECOND: King

RESOLVED to take care of the emergency lighting for all four stations and look at the outside lights at Porter Corners.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Waite agreed to take care of it.

RESOLUTION #76 GIVING PORTER CORNERS PERMISSION TO HOLD THEIR SPRING BREAKFASTS ON MARCH 18TH AND 25TH AND APRIL 1ST AND THEIR FALL BREAKFASTS ON OCTOBER 21ST AND 28TH AND NOVEMBER 4TH AND 11TH.

MOTION: Waite

SECOND: Robarge

RESOLVED giving Porter Corners permission to hold their Spring breakfasts on March 18th and 25th, and April 1st and their Fall breakfasts on October 21st and 28th and November 4th and 11th.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

*Garrison's man has been up twice and is doing a fabulous job on that new truck; there were some electrical problems. The Jake brake wasn't working on it and they had to call Cummins, but they came up and it's fixed now.

Commissioner King:

*At A/C Lant's urging last month, he spoke to Paul Lent at length about the radios and he believed that in the next month or two he's going to have a meeting reviving the county committee he had previously from various different agencies. He said as it stands right now they would replace the radios in all the fire trucks and the portable radios for the Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs and the base stations and that's it. They will not give any other portable radios, which is how it's always been. He noted that could change. They are going to be looking for a new inventory of what we currently own of truck radios, base stations and portable radios. Acting Chairman Spackmann asked that if this was going to be a committee for municipal agencies, then Commissioner King probably cannot sit on it as a representative of this District. Commissioner King noted this was true. There would not be a representative from each fire company, but someone like Drew to represent all the fire departments in the county. Lengthy discussion followed including the possibility of purchasing repeaters.

*Orkin Man was at Co #3, put out additional mouse traps and has been spraying for ants.

Acting Chairman Spackmann asked Commissioner King how he's been coming along with the sexual harassment policy. He explained that he has been talking with Deborah Hazard from Empire State Training Associates, and she said it would be about \$375 per night for the training.

Commissioner Spackmann:

RESOLUTION #77 TO RENEW SAFAIR MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR THE YEAR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,975.00 AND GIVE TREASURER PERMISSION TO PAY BILL WHEN IT COMES IN.

MOTION: Robarge

SECOND: King

RESOLVED to renew Safair maintenance contract for the year in the amount of \$1,975.00 and give Treasurer permission to pay bill when it comes in.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

*Check in the amount of \$55,000.00 was received for the balance due for old 271, as well as a signed contract from Walhalla Rural Fire Department, which bought the truck for \$60,000.00. The truck will be picked up tomorrow between 10 and 11 am and Commissioner Waite will be taking care of that.

RESOLUTION #78 TO PAY TIM ASHWORTH OF FIRE LINE EQUIPMENT HIS COMMISSION OF \$4,200.00 OUT OF THE \$60,000.00, FOR HELPING TO SELL OLD 271.

MOTION: King

SECOND: Waite

RESOLVED to pay Tim Ashworth of Fire Line Equipment his commission of \$4,200.00 out of the \$60,000.00, for helping to sell old 271.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Acting Chairman Spackmann asked Treasurer Bishop to take care of that.

*Would like to schedule a workshop for March 29th to discuss the communication committee's final report as well as other topics. Commissioner King noted he would be out of town from March 20th until April 2nd. Acting Chairman Spackmann suggested Monday March 19th at Co #1 at 7 pm. Acting Chairman Spackmann noted that the Assistant Chiefs all got copies for review. A/C Ellsworth noted he never got a copy; Commissioner Spackmann stated that the final draft had been mailed out at the end of January. Commissioner Waite said he could not make it as he had a fire police meeting that night. Acting Chairman Spackmann asked if he could miss that meeting and Commissioner Waite stated that he could not. Acting Chairman Spackmann then suggested Sunday the 18th and Secretary Petkus was concerned she would not have enough time to advertise it. Commissioner Robarge noted that Sundays aren't really a great day. A/C Ellsworth suggested having it in April and then Chairman Kugler would be back. Acting Chairman Spackmann said he would reschedule it for sometime in April.

Acting Chairman Spackmann would like to declare the old tires on the Chief's vehicle as surplus property and asked Secretary Petkus to elaborate on what our attorney suggested, which was to declare them surplus property and then we could then post it in the Pennysaver or on the town websites, which she would do on the Town of Wilton and Town of Greenfield. It was agreed the tires would go to the highest bidder and all bids would have to be received by a date designated by the Commissioners. Tires will be stored at Co #1 and anyone interested in coming to look at them can see them at Co #1 on Tuesdays from 6 – 7 pm.

RESOLUTION #79 DECLARING THE OLD TIRES ON THE CHIEF'S VEHICLE SURPLUS PROPERTY, AND TO ADVERTISE ON BOTH TOWN WEBSITES FOR SEALED BIDS FOR THE FOUR TIRES, TO BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 6 PM ON APRIL 11, 2007. BIDS WILL BE OPENED AT 7 PM AT CO #1 AT THE COMMISSIONERS MEETING ON APRIL 11TH.

MOTION: Robarge

SECOND: Spackmann

RESOLVED declaring the old tires on the Chief's vehicle surplus property, and to advertise on both Town websites for sealed bids for the four tires, to be received no later than 6 pm on April 11, 2007. Bids will be opened at 7 pm at Co #1 at the Commissioners meeting on April 11th.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

*Reminded everyone that by-law recommendations are due April 1st. The board will take those recommendations and merge it into a final draft. Thanked everyone for their hard work on that, he knows it has been a long process but it will be worthwhile for all in the end. Commissioner King thought they were to be in by the April Commissioners meeting. Commissioners Waite and Robarge had no problem with that. Acting Chairman Spackmann amended the date to April 11, 2007.

Acting Chairman Spackmann asked if there was anything else and if not he would entertain a motion to go into executive session.

Chief McConkey said he had a couple of things; the first being that they need pagers. He spoke to Commissioner Waite about it and whether or not to go with digital pagers. Discussion was held.

RESOLUTION #80 FOR COMMISSIONER WAITE TO COORDINATE WITH THE CHIEF TO PURCHASE PAGERS.

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Robarge

RESOLVED for Commissioner Waite to coordinate with the Chief to purchase pagers.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Chief McConkey thanked Commissioner Waite for going around to all the firehouses to take care of the radios. Also asked if Secretary Petkus could call NY Fire and Signal to get quotes for a yearly contract on servicing the fire alarms in the fire houses. Acting Chairman Spackmann asked the Chief to contact them, and he agreed to do that.

RESOLUTION #81 GIVING THE CHIEF PERMISSION TO CONTACT NY FIRE AND SIGNAL TO LOOK INTO GETTING AN ANNUAL CONTRACT TO SERVICE THE FIRE ALARMS IN THE FIRE HOUSES.

MOTION: Robarge

SECOND: Waite

RESOLVED to give the Chief permission to contact NY Fire and Signal to look into getting an annual contract to service the fire alarms in the fire houses.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Captain Dave Middlebrook advised the Board that the Town Highway has purchased a generator for the traffic light down here.

RESOLUTION #82 TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:35 PM REGARDING POSSIBLE NEW MEMBER RICHARD HUESTIS, JR.

MOTION: King

SECOND: Robarge

RESOLVED to go into executive session at 8:35 pm regarding possible new member Richard Huestis, Jr.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTION #83 TO RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:00 PM.

MOTION: Robarge

SECOND: Waite

RESOLVED to reconvene from executive session at 9:00 pm.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Acting Chairman Spackmann opened the floor for additional questions/comments.

FF Chouinard suggested that maybe a picture of the tires to be sold could be put on the website, but Acting Chairman Spackmann said we do not have the ability to get too fancy with the Town websites.

A/C Lant noted that regarding last month's discussion about the trucks, that Spa Body Works was not a bid enough place to handle our trucks. The only place would be up in Queensbury or Wild Fire.

A/C Murray said he would speak to the guy up in Queensbury before he went back to wild fire.

RESOLUTION #84 TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES.

MOTION: Waite

SECOND: King

RESOLVED to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Robarge with a second from Commissioner King to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 PM. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce A. Petkus
District Secretary