

# **Board of Fire Commissioners**

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The October 2013 Commissioners Meeting of the Greenfield Fire District was called to order at Company #1 by Chairman Richard Spackmann at 7:07 PM on October 9, 2013. The flag salute and a moment of silence were recognized for all departed members and the Edinburg Highway Department.

## **Present were:**

Commissioners: Atwell, Barss, Chandler, Spackmann; Secretary Petkus, Treasurer Perkins, D/T Thurman. Excused: Commissioner Waite, D/P Chouinard. Please see sign-in sheet for all others in attendance.

## **RESOLUTION #220 TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2013 COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN.**

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Atwell

RESOLVED to approve the September 11, 2013 Commissioner Meeting Minutes as written.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

## **Chairman Spackmann asked for questions/comments regarding the abstract:**

Treasurer Perkins noted some changes to the classes; including claim #130771 should be charged to Co #4 and 130713 generator service should be charged to Co #4.

## **RESOLUTION #221 TO PAY ABSTRACT #10, VOUCHER #130662 THROUGH #130731 FROM THE GENERAL FUND INCLUDING ABOVE CHANGES, TOTALING \$63,125.95.**

A3410.1	\$ 7,571.39
A3410.2	15,999.66
A3410.4	38,400.53
A9030.8	579.21
A9050.8	25.17

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Total: \$ 63,125.95

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Chandler

RESOLVED to pay Abstract #10, Voucher #130662 through #130731 from the General Fund including above changes, totaling \$63,125.95.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

## **RESOLUTION #222 TO PAY ABSTRACT #10, VOUCHER #BR13027 THROUGH #BR13030 FROM THE BUILDING RESERVE FUND, TOTALING \$113,654.85.**

**CHECK FOR RIVERVIEW CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATES TO BE HELD UNTIL MR. LEARY APPROVES RELEASE OF PAYMENT.**

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Atwell

RESOLVED to pay Abstract #10, Voucher #BR13027 through #BR13030 from the Building Reserve Fund, totaling \$113,654.85. Check for Riverview Construction Associates to be held until Mr. Leary approves release of payment.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #223 GIVING TREASURER PERMISSION TO MOVE \$365.00 FROM VACCINATIONS TO SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM.**

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Chandler

RESOLVED to give Treasurer permission to move \$365.00 from vaccinations to Service Award Program.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

**Correspondence: Secretary J. Petkus**

- W/C Insurance cards placed in each vehicle and extras given to the officers.

**Purchasing: D/P J. Chouinard**

- Not present this evening; Secretary Petkus noted the following:
- Met with the Chief regarding the command vests, waiting on the quote.
- Old car 26 is going to Sign Pro on October 16<sup>th</sup> to have lettering removed; waiting for Bob Roxbury on what should be added.
- Dress uniform reminder: Banquet is January 11, 2014 and if anyone wants their uniform updated, please bring it to the district office. Deadline is December 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Gear damaged at Bockes Road Fire is at District Office, Joyce submitted insurance claim.
- Jill was not aware that the sign at Co #2 had been repaired until bill was received.
- Any year end money requests need to be in no later than November 27<sup>th</sup>.
- New office building generator: moved to tomorrow night's meeting.
- Lt. Cumm dropped off information regarding 281 and 284; each Commissioner received a red folder with the info.
- Light tubes on 292 replaced and apparently covered under FRC warranty.
- FF Brian Bishop is lending his gear to FF Chris Burnett so he can participate in FFI live burns on October 29<sup>th</sup> and November 14<sup>th</sup>.
- All gas meters that were out for calibration are back in stations.
- Six 40 lb bags of salt delivered to Co #3 today and President Miller was notified.

Treasurer Perkins noted an oversight on paying the VISA bills; she would like a resolution this evening to pay two bills.

**RESOLUTION #224 GIVING THE TREASURER PERMISSION TO PAY THE STAPLES INVOICE TOTALING \$56.28 AND SPIRIT OF HALLOWEEN INVOICE FOR \$128.34.**

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Atwell

RESOLVED to give the Treasurer permission to pay the Staples invoice totaling \$56.28 and Spirit of Halloween invoice for \$128.34.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

### **Applications for Membership:**

**Greenfield Center Company #1:** None.

**Porter Corners Company #2:** None.

**Middle Grove Company #3:** None.

**Maple Avenue Company #4:** None.

### **Requests for Change in Membership:**

**Greenfield Center Company #1:** FF Jerrid Marshall, change from probationary to active.

**Porter Corners Company #2:** Nick Drumm, resignation.

**Middle Grove Company #3:** Alex Kilmer, dismissed; Thomas Mabb, resignation.

**Maple Avenue Company #4:** Deric Boccuto, resignation; Jake Hepner, dismissed; Adam Towers, dismissed.

## **RESOLUTION #225 TO ACCEPT THE CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP AS NOTED ABOVE.**

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Barss

RESOLVED to accept the Changes in Membership as noted above.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

### **Grants:**

- Nothing.

### **Report of the Chief – Chief Lant:**

- All companies did training last month
- Reported on various apparatus repairs and maintenance, including various repairs to 282, 281, 284.
- New Chief's vehicle big improvement to the District.
- Has not gotten in touch with Bob Day yet.
- Stanley Paving came and fixed some holes in the parking lot at Co #4, told the Chief they weren't going to charge us. Chief Lant requested their name be put in the newsletter.
- Co #2 jaws need to be serviced ASAP.
- Fire prevention at Co #1 this Friday; all companies are involved. Captain Reynolds requested everyone be at the firehouse around 7:30 AM to set up.
- Spoke to John Cameron again today about getting 293 about getting gear leak serviced.
- Bought a brake cutting tool last year for Co #4; officers agreed this year to get one for Co #2. Should be enough money in the rescue account.
- This Thursday the Town of Greenfield is going to vote on the ambulance service for the Town.
- Officers agreed to the work uniform Jill and Captain Jennings worked on.
- Co #4 new sign was dedicated this past Saturday in honor of their deceased members.
- Seems as though gear disappears before kicking some people out of the company. Have Deputy Chiefs in charge of the station and they should be the one to go through the gear and empty it and bring it to the district office. Some other issues as well that have been talked about, going into Deputy Chief's offices. Secretary Petkus noted the staff has access to all

officers' offices, except Co #4 officer's office. Brief discussion continued; Commissioner Spackmann noted that maybe the officers should have a discussion with Commissioner Barss as he is in charge of the gear. He also noted that it is not necessary to make a mountain out of a molehill as those people aren't exactly active members to begin with.

### **Reports from Companies:**

#### **Company #1: Captain Reynolds**

- Nothing at this time.

#### **Company #2 – D/C Middlebrook:**

- Questioned about the 6" suction. Brief discussion; Commissioner Chandler will ask Jill about it tomorrow.
- Asked about the lights on the pole barn; Bill Crawford supposed to come and give a quote.
- Maltese cross is made out of Styrofoam and keeps splitting. Brief discussion continued.

#### **Company #3 – D/C Ellsworth:**

- Thanked the Board for approving the carpet; it has been installed and looks good.
- Funeral should be happening soon in Edinburgh/Northville; would like permission to attend as it is out of the County.

### **RESOLUTION #226 ALLOWING DISTRICT APPARATUS AND PERSONNEL TO ATTEND THE FUNERAL SERVICES IN EDINBURGH/NORTHVILLE.**

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Chandler

RESOLVED to allow District apparatus and personnel to attend the funeral services in Edinburgh/Northville.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

- Co #3 roof leaked again in three areas with the hard rain the other night. Brief discussion; Commissioner Chandler to take care of.
- Lt. Cumm is present this evening to answer any questions regarding 281 and 284. Added to October workshop for discussion.

#### **Company #4 – D/C King:**

### **RESOLUTION #227 GIVING CO #4 PERMISSION TO HOST HAUNTED HALLOWEEN RIDE ON OCTOBER 31, 2013.**

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Barss

RESOLVED to give Co #4 permission to host Haunted Halloween ride on October 1, 2013.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

#### **Report of District EMS Coordinator – Tim Kemp:**

- Nothing at this time.

#### **Planning Board:**

**\*For Town of Greenfield, Mike Chandler:**

- Some very preliminary things going on.
- Dave Evans looking to put in a keyhole lot above Bucket Pond.
- Goose Hollow development still in LA Group's hands.
- Prestwick Chase trying to get permission to put in 293 more units with a possible straight though driveway off Daniel's Road. It may be gaited or key fob entrance to avoid thru traffic.
- Skidmore solar was approved for referral back to the Town Board.

**\*For Town of Wilton, Gary Bullard:**

- Small office building going in across from the middle school.
- Water line going in through Gavin Park across Jones Road.

**Reports of the Commissioners:**

**Commissioner Atwell:**

- Wrong mirror ordered for 291. Paperwork received from SSFD needs to be signed as well.

**RESOLUTION # 228 GIVING THE LION'S CLUB PERMISSION TO HOST THEIR ANNUAL CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY AT CO #1 FROM 4-7 PM ON OCTOBER 31, 2013.**

MOTION: Atwell

SECOND: Spackmann

RESOLVED to give the Lion's Club permission to host their annual Children's Halloween Party at Co #1 from 4-7 PM on October 31, 2013.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

- VRS still coming to fix 284.
- 261 and 266 sirens fixed.
- Still have various repairs going on, waiting for parts to come in.
- New office building construction moving along.
- Gear that was damaged at Bockes Road fire is at office; Commissioner Chandler questioned if there is replacement gear for the 2 firefighters. Joyce noted Jill was in the trailer yesterday looking but is not sure what she found.
- Received hold harmless agreement from Mac Boston.
- October 15<sup>th</sup> is the OSHA make up class for the probationary firefighters.

**Commissioner Barss:**

- Nothing at this time.

**Commissioner Chandler:**

- Will call Mike at Munter regarding Co #3 roof, but the Board may need to have someone else look at it. Brief discussion continued.

**Commissioner Waite:**

- Not present this evening.

**Commissioner Spackmann:**

- Thanks to Brian Bishop for loaning his gear to another firefighter.

**Miscellaneous Topics of Discussion:**

- Chief Lant would like copies of pictures made from the sign dedication ceremony.
- D/C Ellsworth noted that if VRS can't get there to fix 284, Commissioner Atwell may want to call KME and have Steve Bonesteel look at it.
- Captain Bullard gave a list of air bottles that need to be hydro'ed.
- Reminder that October 15, 2013 is the public budget hearing, Co #1 beginning at 7 PM.
- Captain Reynolds noted that there was 4 company representation this evening getting the goodie bags ready for the children for fire prevention day this Friday.

**RESOLUTION #229 TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:56 PM IN REFERENCE TO APPLICATION RECEIVED ON JEREMY ROLLESTON.**

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Barss

RESOLVED to go into executive session at 7:56 PM in reference to application received on Jeremy Rolleston.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #230 TO RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:39 PM.**

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Barss

RESOLVED to reconvene from executive session at 8:39 PM.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Chief Lant noted that Sunday was their first chem lab call. State police explained everything to the firefighters, stressed safety. Brief discussion continued.

**RESOLUTION #231 TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES.**

MOTION: Spackmann

SECOND: Chandler

RESOLVED to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Atwell with a second from Commissioner Barss to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 PM. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*Joyce A. Petkus*

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District Secretary