

Board of Fire Commissioners
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The March 11, 2020 Commissioners Meeting of the Greenfield Fire District was called to order at the District Office by Chairman Michael Chandler at 7:02 PM.

Flag salute and a moment of silence were recognized for departed members.

Present were: Commissioners Chandler, Dussault, Russo; D/A-Treasurer Petkus, S/K-P/A Ranck. Excused: Commissioner McGowan. Please see sign in sheet for others in attendance.

RESOLUTION #76 APPROVING THE FEBRUARY 26, 2020 COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES.

MOTION: Dussault

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED to approve the February 26, 2020 Commissioner meeting minutes as written.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Chandler asked for questions/comments regarding the abstract:

Commissioner Chandler questioned voucher #200113, NAPA, confirmed that the batteries have been returned and the credit will be on the next invoice.

RESOLUTION #77 APPROVING PAYMENT OF ABSTRACT #5 FROM THE GENERAL FUND, VOUCHER #200085 THROUGH VOUCHER #200113, TOTALING \$25,256.89.

A3410.1	\$ 5,902.32
A3410.2	\$ 7,085.63
A3410.4	\$ 9,517.01
A9000.8	\$ 2,751.93

Total: \$ 25,256.89

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Dussault

RESOLVED to approve payment of Abstract #5 from the General Fund, Voucher #200085 through Voucher #200113, totaling \$25,256.89.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Reports of the Staff:

- **District Administrator:** Joyce Petkus
 - Additional bloodwork date has been set up for April 3rd; minimum of 12 needed. Only 5 are currently scheduled.
 - Handed out forms to be filled out by firefighters regarding gear tag project. Brief discussion continued.
 - Gave Mobile credit card to Don to use to keep it active for another year.

- **Purchasing Agent:** Don Ranck
 - 25 SCBA bottles to be hydro'd Monday morning. Will be at stations Friday swapping out bottles as necessary.
 - Need to start replacing pagers. Discussion continued. Three quotes received:
 - Magnum: \$387 each
 - Pittsfield: \$384 each
 - Adirondack 2-Way: \$379 each
- The cost to purchase 20 from Adirondack 2-Way is \$7,580.00.

RESOLUTION #78 GIVING THE PURCHASING AGENT PERMISSION TO PURCHASE 20 PAGERS FROM ADIRONDACK 2-WAY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,580.00.

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Dussault

RESOLVED to give the Purchasing Agent permission to purchase 20 pagers from Adirondack 2-Way in the amount of \$7,580.00.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

- Received LDDS form on broken pressure washer. Board okayed purchasing another.
 - Fit test machine is currently out for annual servicing.
 - 1 ¾" damaged hose is covered under warranty. Reminder do NOT open boxes of hose with box cutters.
- **Treasurer:** Joyce Petkus

RESOLUTION #79 GIVING SEAN CROWLEY PERMISSION TO ATTEND THE THOMAS WITH FIRE POLICE SEMINAR, MARCH 20-21, 2020 AT MONTOUR FALLS FIRE ACADEMY. PERMISSION TO ALSO TAKE 260.

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Dussault

RESOLVED to give Sean Crowley permission to attend the Thomas With Fire Police Seminar, March 20-21, 2020 at Montour Falls Fire Academy. Permission to also take 260.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTION #80 GIVING THE TREASURER PERMISSION TO APPROPRIATE UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS OF \$1,911.31 FROM 294 INSURANCE CLAIM TO .4 APPARATUS MAINTENANCE/REPAIRS LINE ITEM.

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Dussault

RESOLVED to give the Treasurer permission to appropriate unappropriated funds of \$1,911.31 from 294 insurance claim to .4 Apparatus Maintenance/Repairs line item.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTION #81 GIVING THE TREASURER PERMISSION TO REIMBURSE COLE'S COLLISION FOR REPAIRS TO 294 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,911.31.

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Dussault

RESOLVED to give the Treasurer permission to reimburse Cole's Collision for repairs to 294 in the amount of \$1,911.31.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Firefighter Applications:

- Co #3: Michael Fudzinski, Steven Tofanelli
- Co #4: Caleb Bentley

Firefighter Request for Change in Membership:

- Co #1: Tyler LaHart, 1 year leave of absence
- Co #2: Timothy Leary: active probationary to active
- Co #3: Thomas Merrills: posthumous life membership

RESOLUTION #82 GIVING THE CHAIRMAN PERMISSION TO SIGN THE ABOVE NEW FIREFIGHTER APPLICATIONS AND CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP FORMS.

MOTION: Dussault

SECOND: Russo

RESOLVED to give the Chairman permission to sign the above New Firefighter applications. and Change in Membership forms.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Report of the Chief – Jon Davis:

- Truck repairs:
 - 273: ABS light came on; they were up to reset it. Brief discussion continued.
 - 262: packing was leaking; has been taken care of. Brief discussion continued.
 - 294: back in service.
 - 282: heater core pump house leaking; has since been fixed.
- Has a tabletop meeting with Chief Bogardus tomorrow at the Middle School for an evacuation drill.
- Has a meeting tomorrow with the Town of Wilton in reference to the coronavirus. Recommended that if you are sick, stay home! Brief discussion continued.
- Department has been very busy this past month.
- Has a personal gas meter that needs calibration; would like Don to calibrate it. Board okayed.
- Sent a quote to the Board from MTI in reference to the purchase of a drone. Would like to go after one this year. Discussion continued; cost is about \$4319, includes training and licensing, and will be kept in the Chief's office. Added to the next meeting agenda for further discussion.
- Would like the Board to dedicate a page of the minutes to Tom Merrills.

RESOLUTION #83 DEDICATING A PAGE OF THE MINUTES TO THOMAS MERRILLS.

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Dussault

RESOLVED to dedicate a page of the minutes to Thomas Merrills.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Reports from Companies:

Company #1 – A/C Coffey:

- D/C Chouinard requested taking 260 to the Turning Stone Conference.

RESOLUTION #84 GIVING D/C CHOUINARD PERMISSION TO TAKE 260 TO THE TURNING STONE CONFERENCE MARCH 26-29, 2020.

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Dussault

RESOLVED to give D/C Chouinard permission to take 260 to the turning Stone conference March 26-29, 2020.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

- Would like to look into rewiring the main line on 264. Chief Davis to call Rob.
- Chris Thurman resigned as Captain.
- Thanks for getting the thermostat done in the compressor room.
- Received the blitz gun, will be on the truck shortly.
- Building committee met with the IT guy regarding TV vs. projector. Received a quote.

Company #2 – Captain Chandler:

- Thanks for the new hose reels.

Company #3 – D/C Murray:

- Firefighter service for Ff Merrills will be at 6:45; please be at the funeral home by 6:30 pm.
- Auxiliary will be doing another card fundraiser on March 22nd.
- Will be talking with Don in regards to mounting some portable radios in the brush truck.

Company #4 – D/C Bogardus:

- Would like to make new member Caleb Bentley interior qualified immediately. Chief Davis noted he has no problem with it; just needs to do bail out.
- Rehab bus coffee maker having issues; would like to replace with 3 Keurig machines. Brief discussion continued.
- 294 back from repairs. Needs to be striped; working on quotes.

Report of District EMS Coordinator: Christian Alvord:

- Not present this evening.
- Chief Davis noted that Christian is working with the tech committee regarding the Haligan program. A/C Stanton gave brief overview. Links to Emergency Reporting; cost is \$3500 annually. Board requested formal presentation; added to April 8th meeting agenda.

Report of the Training Committee: D/C Barss

- Not present this evening.

Reports of the Commissioners:

- Dussault
 - Last couple of weeks have been busy; thank you, great job by all.
- McGowan
 - Not present this evening.
- Russo
 - Same sentiment as commissioner Dussault.
- Chandler
 - Co #2 door openers installed last Friday.
 - LOSAP paperwork has been signed by all Commissioners except Commissioner McGowan; Joyce to let Deidre know.

- Co #1 interior plans and spec book are here for anyone to look at.
- Great job at house fire on Sunday.

Reports of the Town Board/Planning Board Liaisons

- Greenfield Liaison: C. McGowan
 - Not present this evening.
- Wilton Liaison: S. Dussault
 - Eagle scouts are working on small barn project and flag box project

Special Topics of Discussion:

- Photographer/Photography Policy tabled to next meeting.
- Chief Davis asked if the letter to Senator Tedisco was mailed; Joyce noted it was.
- Request from Boy Scout Troop 18: requested permission to park trailer on district property by their shed and other trailer.

RESOLUTION #85 GIVING BOY SCOUT TROOP 18 PERMISSION TO PARK THEIR TRAILER ON DISTRICT PROPERTY NEXT TO THEIR SHED AND OTHER TRAILER.

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Dussault

RESOLVED to give Boy Scout Troop 18 permission to park their trailer on district property next to their shed and other trailer.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

- Captain Chandler noted he will hopefully have two reps from the Explorer Program attend the March 25th Commissioner meeting; added to beginning of agenda. Explorer committee consists of 13 members and they had a good meeting on Sunday morning. Next meeting is April 5th at 2 pm.
- A/C Stanton noted the tech committee is updating the hydrants on IAR.
- Past Chief Ellsworth spoke with the homeowner of the rental property and he was very impressed with the job everyone did on Sunday at the fire.
- Past Chief Ellsworth asked Don if anyone looked at 282 overhauled door; Don noted no, he will look at it. A/C Stanton noted that Larry looked at it yesterday. Commissioner Chandler noted he also worked on it today. Co # 3 to keep an eye on it.
- Reminder Live Fire is scheduled for April 7th.

RESOLUTION #86 TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES.

MOTION: Chandler

SECOND: Dussault

RESOLVED to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

VOTE: All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Chandler with a second from Commissioner Dussault to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Petkus

Joyce A. Petkus
District Administrator/Treasurer