

CLERMONT FIRE COMMISSIONERS
December 20,2021

The Clermont Fire Commissioners held their regular meeting on Monday, December 20th, 2021, at 7:10 P.M. at the Town Hall.

Those in attendance were Chairwoman Susan Rifenburgh, Commissioner Laurence Saulpaugh, Commissioner Raymond Bauer, Commissioner Ronald Miller, and Commissioner Joseph Scott. Others present were Chief Collin Brown, Assistant Chief Les Coon, Bob Desmond, Secretary Jennifer Flandreau, and Treasurer Brian Fitzgerald.

Chairwoman Rifenburgh opened the meeting with a salute to the flag.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the November meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Commissioner Saulpaugh, seconded by Commissioner Scott to accept the minutes. All in favor. So carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report by Commissioner Bauer, seconded by Commissioner Miller. All in favor. So carried

Chairwomen Rifenburgh started a roll call to authorize the amended budget after changes.
Commissioner Bauer
Commissioner Miller
Commissioner Saulpaugh
Chairwoman Rifenburgh
Commissioner Scott

All say aye.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- RBC Wealth - \$437,339.63
- Penflax Data request Package
- Iroquois Calendar
- RBC Wealth Calendar
- American Express offer
- Association of Fire Districts memorial scholarship for Jr Firefighters
- Physicals received: Joe Scott and Evan Decker
- Dutchess County Legislature thank you award

OPEN DISCUSSION: no discussion

BUILDING AND GROUNDS:

Commissioner Bauer:

Pest Masters continues to charge us a late fee even though they agreed to drop the late fees. We will get ahold of them again and tell them when our board meets every month, and request that they change our due date as the bill is already late by the time we receive and approve the payment.

New office:

Commissioner Saulpaugh would like to see a knee rail or wall ladder for storing stuff above the office. And a vent inside the office.

Received a bill for 21 man hours from Jeremiah Williams

The construction was supposed to be done by the members of the fire department. Chief Collin Brown should have asked board approval before hiring someone to do the work. Commissioner Scott would like to look into the new prevailing wage laws before we pay this bill.

Chief Brown office update:

Insulated water lines.

Picked up/installed materials for heating insulation.

Picked up and installed wall and ceiling insulation.

Picked up plywood and sheetrock.

Mr. Williams and crew installed the sheetrock and plywood and completed the taping work.

Bob McCarthy will come do the lights, outlets and switches.

The new office is almost ready to move in.

Commissioner Bauer would like the bathroom ceiling fixed if there is money left over.

FIRE EQUIPMENT:

Commissioner Bauer:

Discussed tanker with Commissioner Scott

Ladder going up to the deck

No info from vrs on the ladder

The estimate was never modified.

We should look into purchasing a harness on top of the tanker. We can buy one at Lowes.

The transmission in 6035 is making a noise, have the drivers listen for it. If it continues we should have it looked at. Les, Cody and Joe believe it sounds like a dry bearing.

Suction hose was tested by Ron and Joe discovered a hard suction, so we can use it for drills.

Chief Brown:

6035

Went to Allegiance Truck on 12/8/21 for fuel rail recall work. They checked for the noise in the transmission and came up unfounded. They also gave the truck a NYS heavy inspection without checking with the Chief.

6010

Went to Lacy Ford for a check engine light and blower motor not working. Lacy reported back that the truck needs an exhaust sensor, NOX sensor, and a relay for the blower motor. Truck is not under warranty. Total for parts and labor \$1,578.42. Chief contacted the Commissioners and received approval. The repairs should be completed by 12/21/21

6013

Checked with Will at VRS regarding parts and repairs. He said they hope to have the parts by mid January.

6070

Commissioner Scott has been looking into battery problems. Truck was last driven on 11/22/21 drill with no issues.

Checked with Ralph Torchia at Apparatus Plus regarding estimates for the 5" starz fittings on the two damaged 100' lengths of supply line. He will inspect the hose and get us a price by Christmas.

Chief Brown requests to purchase two filing cabinets. Total of \$207.98

Commissioner Miller made a motion to purchase, seconded by Commissioner Saulpaugh. All in favor. So carried.

Secretary Flandreau requested a purchase of a wireless printer for under \$200.

Commissioner Saulpaugh made a motion to purchase, seconded by Commissioner Scott. All in favor. So carried.

LOSAP:

Commissioner Rifenburgh mentioned she will need the call sheets for the year.

LAWS AND POLICIES: All Commissioners
No discussion

LEGAL: All Commissioners
No discussion

OLD BUSINESS: All Commissioners

Physicals:

We may be able to send a doctor to the firehouse.

Urgent care in Hudson is doing physicals so we could have everyone go together.
We are concerned for the people who have to pay out of pocket.
Chairwoman Rifenbush will find out the price.

We will add another budget code for physicals. It will be added into the final budget amendment.

Gear:

Measurements are complete for 10 sets.

We received 8 sets of new boots. Waiting for two more.

Received the estimated invoice of \$42,077.33

Fire police gear:

Commissioner Scott talked to Commissioner Saulpaugh about purchasing badges, shirts, vests, slicker jackets, and gloves for three people. We set a limit of up to \$1,000.00 for the purchase. A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to purchase police gear, seconded

by Commissioner Bauer. All in favor. So carried.

Commissioner Scott and Commissioner Saulpaugh will get together for the ordering.

Treasurer Fitzgerald signed up for a credit card controls class in continuing education.

NEW BUSINESS:

Organizational meeting set for 6:30 on January 17th 2022 before our regular meeting.

Chief Brown:

Request for membership of Roy Brown. Approved by the company.

Passed background check and seeking Board approval.

A motion was made to accept Roy Brown as a new member of the Fire Company by Commissioner Saulpaugh, seconded by Commissioner Miller. All in favor. So carried.

Roy Brown will need a physical.

Fire Company Election results:

Car One : Les Coon

Car Two : is vacant but may be Evan Decker.

Car Three : Ron Rifenburgh

Captain : Joe Scott

First Lieutenant Evan Tompkins

Second Lieutenant Josh Williams

Peace officers:

Josh Williams

Joe Scott

Collin Brown

Larry Saulpaugh

Commissioner Saulpaugh made a motion to accept the slate as elected, seconded by Commissioner Bauer. All in favor. So carried.

OSHA is offering online classes through FASNY
Evan Decker needs to complete it to become active. The company can vote for him after completion.

MISCELLANEOUS:

CHIEFS REPORT: there were four Calls in November.

- 11/12/21 - Propane odor - 1500 Rt 9 - 4 FFs - 2 man hours
- 11/25/21 - Alarm activation - 104 Mill road - 6 FFs - 3.3 man hours
- 11/26/21 - Lift assist - NDP - 18 Norrie Ct - 5 FFs - 1.25 man hours
- 11/29/21 - Alarm activation - 104 Mill road - 5 FFs - 0.9 man hours

WORK DETAILS

- 11/7/21 - Water Ops drill - 3 FFs - 6 man hours
- 11/10/21 - work detail - banquet prep - 3 FFs
- 11/11/21 - work detail - banquet prep - 3 FFs
- 11/12/21 - work detail - banquet prep - 4 FFs
- 11/22/21 - November Drill - Bailout training review/exercise trucks

Received completion of training certificates for:
Evan Tompkins : IFO - 50 hours of Instruction
Les Coon : Rescue Tech Basic - 24 Hours of instruction

Fit Testing

Contacted George Keeler about getting set up to do our own fit testing using the county's fit testing machine. George is coming down on 12/21/21 to show us how to use it. We will be completing all FIT tests for our interior firefighters that night.

Rover is working great. It has had a few bugs that Commissioner Scott has worked out. It has been a great tool for easy communication for drills, trucks out of service, FFs on their way to which station and scene.

A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to pay the bills, seconded by Commissioner Bauer All in favor. So carried

FUEL REPORT:
gallons used 43.3

The van took 16 gallons to fill and the fuel gauge does not work correctly. Commissioner Scott would like it to be used more often. Dan may need to get an EVOC to learn how to drive it.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bob Desmond:
We should look into the cost of the town website.

Thank you for inviting him to the banquet. He enjoyed it.
Congratulations to the Commissioner Saulpaugh on the election.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:55 P.M. by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Scott. All in favor. So Carried.

Respectfully submitted
Jennifer Flandreau Secretary,
Clermont Fire District