

**CLERMONT FIRE COMMISSIONERS**  
**February 20, 2023**

The Clermont Fire Commissioners held their regular meeting on Monday, February 20, 2023, at 7:05 P.M. at the Town Hall.

Those in attendance were Chairwoman Susan Rifenburg, Commissioner Laurence Saulpaugh, Commissioner Ronald Miller, Commissioner Marc Lebowitz, and Commissioner Joseph Scott. Others present were Chief Les Coon, Bob Desmond, Secretary Jennifer Flandreau, and Treasurer Brian Fitzgerald.

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

Peter from Finger insurance presented the Utica insurance for the district.

VFIS accident policy offers double the coverage from Provident. Peter will send an application and get back to us on any price adjustments.

The regular meeting started at 7:45 PM.

All Commissioners reviewed the organizational meeting. We will change resolution six and enter that we do not have an accountant at this time.

Commissioner Lebowitz will contact Peter Fingar and find out how much it will cost to increase liability limitations on our policy.

All Commissioners agreed we will stay with Fingar insurance.

Commissioner Saulpaugh made a motion to accept the Organizational meeting with changes, seconded by Commissioner Miller. All in favor. So carried.

**MINUTES:** The Minutes of the January meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Commissioner Saulpaugh, seconded by Miller to accept the minutes with corrections to spelling. All in favor. So carried

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Donation of \$250.00 from Devereux
- RBC Wealth management - \$327,183.94
- RBC Wealth management would like to schedule a zoom call

**OPEN DISCUSSION:****BUILDING AND GROUNDS:**

The roof is leaking in two spots at Station one. Commissioner Saulpaugh will take a look at the roof.

**FIRE EQUIPMENT:**

Parts for the compressor are in.

The van has been being used more frequently. Commissioner Scott would like to add some LED lights to the back surface mount; he will shop around for a decent price and talk with Ralph about installing them.

All commissioners agree to get a quote for the lights and installation.

All commissioners agree to keep truck 6012 for sale. Commissioner Scott will look into how much new wheels and tires will cost.

**LOSAP:**

No discussion

**LAWS AND POLICIES:** All Commissioners

Physical deadline is on hold.

OSHA deadline is May 2023

Firefighters gain more knowledge from attending the OSHA meetings in person, we will look into online options for the members who could not make it.

**LEGAL:** All Commissioners

No discussion

**OLD BUSINESS:** All Commissioners

Collin Brown is trained and approved to drive all fire trucks.

Collin Brown has not attended company training or produced a FIT SSCBA training in over one year.

Commissioner Scott will remove his bailout gear and mask. He has been informed this will happen. He will be informed again by Commissioner Scott.

We will look into Social media policies for insurance purposes.

The Commissioners will look into setting up guidelines for any online social media page that includes the company or the district.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

The office at station one:

Chief would like to purchase folders and binders for each firefighter to store above the desk for easy access. Also need to purchase toner for the printer.

All Commissioners agree the \$250.00 gift from Devereux could be used for these purchases.

## **MISCELLANEOUS:**

### **CHIEFS REPORT: There were 7 calls in January 2023**

- 01/03/2023 - Mutual aid to Livingston - 6 FFs - 4.3 Man hours
- 01/03/2023 - Reported structure fire - 8 FFs - 1.3 Man hours
- 01/09/2023 - Mutual aid to Tivoli - 8 FFs - 42.8 Man hours
- 01/10/2023 - Smoke investigation - 11 FFs - 6.4 Man hours
- 01/11/2023 - Stand by for Red Hook - 4 FFs - 0.8 Man hours
- 01/18/2023 - Alarm activation - 7 FFs - 13 Man hours
- 01/27/2023 - Alarm activation - 7 FFs - 1.6 Man hours

## **WORK DETAILS**

- Drill - 01/23/2023 - Ventilation in air packs, pack new hose - 8 FFs - 16 Man hours

Chief:

OSHA meetings were on February 8th and 15th at 7 PM at Station two.

Messages and information will only go out over ROVER. Paged announcements will no longer be sent.

Roughly 50% of our calls in the year 2022 were alarm activation.

Evan Thompkins is the first recipient of the \$50.00 gift card.

PFOAS containing foam collection slated for April 2023.

Milan is seeking participants to make a pass down catamount in a bathing suit and fire helmet for charity. The event is on Friday the 17th with a rain date of the 24th. Chief will provide a head count by Wednesday at 5:00 PM.

Germantown has informed us that they are revising their automatic dispatches. In no terms is it related to our performance but they do not feel they need to have all these companies

responding to a first alarm fire until they have confirmed what they need. Once completed they will be presiding over a new mutual aid agreement.

Commissioners gave the Ok to sign the mutual aid agreement when it comes in.

Looking to purchase compartment mounts: prices range from \$200 to \$400 set of irons and chainsaws.

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

**FUEL REPORT:**

gallons used  
January 54.6 gallons

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chief Coon will discuss the lease of station two with the company.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:22 P.M. by Commissioner Scott, seconded by Commissioner Miller. All in favor. So Carried.

Respectfully submitted  
Jennifer Flandreau Secretary,  
Clermont Fire District