

CLERMONT FIRE COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

The Clermont Fire Commissioners held their regular meeting on Monday, September 16, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall. Those in attendance were Chairwoman S. Rifenburg, Commissioner Ron Rifenburg, Commissioner Ray Bauer and Commissioner Ron Miller. Also present was Chief Lloyd Kukon, Treasurer Denise Fiore, Robert Desmond, Jack Gomm and Larry Brody from Milan Fire Company.

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

MINUTES: After review, a motion was made by Commissioner Bauer, seconded by Commissioner Miller to accept the minutes. All in favor. So carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's report for September was submitted by Treasurer Fiore as follows:

September 16, 2019 Fire Commissioners' Treasurer's Report

RE: August 2019

Total Amount of August 2019 Invoices Paid	\$ 4,563.91
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RE: September 2019

Proposed September 2019 Invoices	\$ 2,855.70
Paid September 2019 Invoices	2,237.14
Total	\$ 5,092.84

Reconciliation of Accounts

The Bank of Greene County Balances to Date

Money Market Checking Balance*	\$ 120,422.59
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*Includes interest paid on 8/31/19 in the amount of \$36.69

Checking Balance	5,978.45
Plus deposit 9/5/19 (Stolen radio insurance portion)	935.50
Less Outstanding Checks	2,516.69
Checking Balance to Date	4,397.26

Money Market & Checking A/C Total	\$ 124,819.85
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<u>Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Equipment</u>	\$ 29,728.61 (as of 12/31/18)
Interest 12/31/18 – 1/31/19	\$ 3.78
Interest 1/31/19 – 2/28/19	3.42
Interest 2/28/19 – 3/31/19	3.79
Interest 3/31/19 – 4/30/19	3.66
Interest 4/30/19 – 5/31/19	3.79
Interest 5/31/19 – 6/30/19	3.67
Interest 6/30/19 – 7/31/19	4.63
Deposit 7/15/19 unexpended 2018 balance	12,000.00
Interest 7/31/19 – 8/31/19	5.32
Total	\$ 41,760.67

<u>Capital Reserve Fund for Constr. & Improvement:</u>	\$ 33,666.86 (as of 12/31/18)
Interest 12/31/18 – 1/31/19	\$ 4.29
Interest 1/31/19 – 2/28/19	3.87
Interest 2/28/19 – 3/31/19	4.29
Interest 3/31/19 – 4/30/19	4.15
Interest 4/30/19 – 5/31/19	4.29
Interest 5/31/19 – 6/30/19	4.15
Interest 6/30/19 – 7/31/19	4.29
Interest 7/31/19 – 8/31/19	4.29
Total	\$ 33,700.48

Denise Fiore, Treasurer
September 16, 2019

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Bauer and seconded by Commissioner Miller to accept the Treasurer’s report. All in favor. So carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- RBC Wealth Management – Account Statement for August \$410,662.42
- Sexual Harassment Information for the Commissioners to review.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Commissioner Bauer

- The new flag has been put up at Station #1.
- The water filters were replaced on the water softener, however, he doesn’t feel it is using enough salt.

INSURANCE: Commissioner Rifenburgh and Miller

- A claim has been submitted for the missing radio and a check received for \$935.50.
- Commissioner R. Rifenburgh would like a list of how many radios we have and who has them.

FIRE EQUIPMENT: Commissioner Bauer and Commissioner R. Rifenburg

- Truck #6013 was reported last month to have a steering problem and Commissioner Bauer asked if it was fixed. Commissioner R. Rifenburg said that VRS has had the truck but cannot determine what the problem is.
- A light was fixed on the van.
- AED: The Captain did receive this but it is not known if he put it on the truck and he is not present tonight.

LOSAP: All Commissioners

No report

LAWS AND POLICIES: All Commissioners

No report

LEGAL: All Commissioners

No report

OLD BUSINESS:

- Chairwoman Rifenburg asked if Evan Decker and Jackie Decker have gotten their FIT tests. The Chief does not believe so.
- THERMAL IMAGING CAMERA: Prices were to be gotten this past month but it is not known if any of the officers did this.

NEW BUSINESS:

The public hearing for the 2020 budget will be held on Tuesday, October 15th at 6:30 P.M. and the regular meeting will follow.

CHIEFS REPORT:

The following is the Chiefs report for August:

- 8/13/19 – Wires down – 211 Pleasantvale Road
- 8/21/19 – Alarm Activation -6 Sharon Drive
- 8/29/19 – Standby for Livingston
- 8/31/19 – Smoke Investigation – 367 East Camp Road

Monthly Drills:

8/26/19 – Drafting from pond site – 9 firefighters

8/30/19 – Truck detail for Chatham Fire Parade – 6 firefighters

8/31/19 – Chatham Fair Parade – 8 firefighters

- The Chief reported that he is trying to get younger members qualified to drive the trucks. It is hard to get them to come out and drive the truck until they feel comfortable.
- The Chief said that there has been a problem that even before we are on the scene, another company is getting called in.

- The Clermont Ladies Auxiliary took second place at the County Convention and 2nd place in the Class A Division at the Chatham Fair. The men took 2nd place in the Class D division at the Fair.
- MES wanted to service the packs, the compressor was serviced and if the filters don't need to be changed, they won't be changed.
- The Chief also needs to purchase copy paper.
- There is a class in Pleasant Valley on tactical attack. The cost is \$25.00.
- The grants will start coming out the end of September. The Chief asked if the funds can be designated for the purchase of gear, if the grant does not come through. There was discussion on gear needed for a probationary member.
- The banquet will be held at Churchtown Firehouse on Saturday, November 2nd at 7:00 P.M.

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

Commissioner R. Rifenburgh submitted the fuel usage report for August at 52 gallons.

MILAN VOLUNTEER FIRE: Representatives of the Milan Fire Company, Jack Gomm and Larry Brody, came to discuss the budgeting for their contract with Clermont Fire District. They are requesting \$2,964.82, just slightly higher than last year's request of \$2,896.00. Gallatin is trying to decide how to distribute the 2% that comes back to the town through the state comptroller from the insurance companies. There are specific items that it can be used for.

BUDGET WORKSHOP:

Increased Treasurer and Secretary salaries from \$2600 to \$2800.

Increased Redemption of Notes from \$23,614 to \$52,600 for new truck.

Increased Interest on Notes from \$683 to \$3,470.

Reduced Transfer to Reserve Fund from \$7,359 to zero.

Reduced Association dues from \$300 to \$175.00.

Increased telephone from \$400 to \$500.00.

Increased outside fire services from \$2896 to \$2965.00.

Reduced Repairs to Buildings from \$17,150 to \$2500.00. (Paving of parking lot done in 2019)

Increased other insurance from \$10,000 to \$11,000.

Total Appropriations increased from \$174,377 to \$185,835.00.

Prior Years Unexpended Balance transferred from truck reserve \$17,336.00.

Amount to be Raised by Real Property Taxes \$167,664.00 an increase of \$3,287 over 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bob Desmond asked and Commissioner R. Rifenburgh explained how the 2% is sent to the state and then to the fire company and what they can use it for.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:10 P.M. by Commissioner R. Rifenburgh, seconded by Commissioner Bauer. All in favor. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Helen Shannon
Fire District Secretary