

MONTHLY MEETING: February 14, 2023

Present:

- Comm. Arthur Orneck
- Comm. Martin McGannon
- Comm. Charles Moseman
- Comm. David Klaus
- Comm. Jason Swart
- Secy/Treas. Jeanmarie Klaus
- Atty. Tara Tully
- Chief Tim Mentrasti
- Asst. Chief Matthew Lauria
- Asst. Chief Paul Liberatore

Absent:

Meeting opened by Chm. Orneck at 7:30 p.m.

PENDING

VOUCHERS:

Motion: Comm. Orneck to audit the attached submitted vouchers and authorize payment of those approved
 Second: Comm. McGannon
 All voting aye

MINUTES:

Motion: Comm. Swart to accept the January Organization & January monthly meeting minutes as amended
 Second: Comm. Klaus
 All voting aye

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT:

1. The \$3,000,000 is still in the Operating Fund. Is the Board going to move it to an investment account, or should I just move it to the Reserve Account. The interest income is going into the general fund, if I move it to Reserves, the monthly interest will be credited just to \$3,000,000. Atty. Tully will check with Munisat for recommendations.

Motion: Comm. McGannon to invest the money
 Second: Comm. Moseman
 All voting aye

APPROVAL

2. The NYS AFD Annual Meeting & Leadership Summit Expo is May 18 - 20
 Motion: Comm. Orneck to approve any Board member who wishes to attend
 Second: Comm. Swart
 All voting aye, except Comm. McGannon voting nay
3. Bank Balances as of 01/31/2023:

Operating Fund:

Bank Balance	\$3,359,528.43
Outstanding Checks	<u>(17,525.90)</u>
Register Balance	\$3,342,002.53

Reserve Fund:

Apparatus	\$690,154.61
Communications	173,997.22
Repair	193,107.61
Station #3	
Construction	91,468.86
Ladder	<u>688,236.95</u>
	<u>\$1,836,965.25</u>

Total Balance 01/31/2023	<u><u>\$5,178,967.78</u></u>
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CHIEFS REPORT:

1. Alarms for the month were reported
2. See attached
 - There was a discussion on a matching Regional Grant for scot paks that was applied for.
 - Motion: Comm. Klaus that pending completion, approve Firefighters Zampano on the Mini Attack & Utility, Firefighters Alfano, Nikisher & Wilson on Engines, Firefighters Weber & Douglas on Ladder
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye
 - Add Joe Schneider to rescue training list & if successful then be put on next list
Motion: Comm. Swart
Second: Comm. Moseman
All voting aye

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion: Comm. McGannon to enter into Executive Session at 7:53 pm to discuss personnel matters.
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye

PENDING

Meeting reopened to the public at 8:02 pm

CHIEFS REPORT (continued):

3. There was a discussion on purchasing 5 additional bail out systems
Motion: Comm. McGannon to purchase additional 4 bail out systems under state contract
Second: Comm. Moseman
All voting aye
4. Discussion on belay training & certification. There is a system that helps with training. The lowest cost is \$3,650, rope \$92, 2 carabiners \$118.98, for a total of \$3,860.98 - includes travel bag
Motion: Comm. Orneck to further improve safety approve the purchase of a belay training system & accessories from the lowest vendor. All Hands Fire Equipment
Second: Comm. Moseman
All voting aye

APPROVAL

DIVE TEAM:

See attached

APPARATUS:

1. See attached
2. Rescue 16 is back in service
3. There was a discussion on the Hendrickson invoices & the services performed.

JUNIOR CORPS:

1. 11 Members
2. June marks 20th anniversary of Junior Corps

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. G5 pagers are in.
2. Motion: Comm. McGannon to purchase 8 additional G5 Unication pagers, not to exceed \$7,200. The delivery delay is over 6 months, so it is better to order them now.
Second: Comm. Moseman
All voting aye
3. Motion: Comm. Moseman to withdraw \$7,200 from the Communication Reserve Fund to purchase 8 pagers
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye
4. There was a discussion on the Dell Tower radio
5. Docking station for new County frequency is in & the pagers can be reprogrammed.
6. Comm. McGannon is in the process of looking to replace certain Verizon phone numbers with Lightpath.

7. There was a discussion on replacing APX4000 microphones
Motion: Comm. McGannon to replace 14 APX 4000 microphones with APX 4000 rpm? microphones, at a cost of \$87.71 each
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye
8. Motion: Comm. McGannon to purchase 2 digital scanners for the Assistant Chiefs' cars at a cost of \$356 each
Second: Comm. Orneck
All voting aye

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

1. There was a discussion on replacing 138 gallon tank
Motion: Comm. McGannon to approve the tank replacement from World Management not to exceed \$10,000
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye
2. Comm. McGannon would like to replace the fence on the east side of Station #2.
3. There was a discussion on a problem with an underground pipe Station #2. Chm., Orneck will check with the Highway Superintendent to see whose responsibility it is.

NEW CONSTRUCTION:

1. The Construction Committee met with Engine Company Board of Directors to discuss the addition & existing lease.
2. Atty. Tully spoke about her discussion with Bond Counsel. A discussion ensued by the Board on how to proceed.
3. Different design changes were discussed. New drawings are being prepared.

RECRUITMENT:

1. Applications are due March 1st
2. Comm. McGannon asked Board members to reach out to Town Board & School Board members to push for emergency services tax reduction.

UNIFORMS:

There was a discussion on incentive awards. One thing being looked at is a Carhart combo package of tee shirt/sweatshirt/hat \$74.99 per set

SERVICE AWARDS:

The Grievance Meeting is set for February 27th.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion: Comm. McGannon to spend up to \$300 to refurb & put new white board at station #1
Second: Comm. Orneck
All voting aye.
Motion: Comm. McGannon to purchase hardware to hang old white board
Second: Comm. Orneck
All voting aye

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Comm. Moseman enter into Executive Session at 9:55 pm to discuss personnel matters
Second: Comm. Klaus
All voting aye, except Comm. Swart voting nay

Meeting opened to the public at 10:10 pm

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion Comm. Swart to reimburse Chief Mentrasti for dinner meeting
Second: Comm. McGannon
All voting aye

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Comm. Moseman to adjourn at 10:13 p.m.
Second: Comm. Klaus
All voting aye.

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February 2023 Fire District Meeting- Chiefs Report

Training:

In house FAST under way
Multi new members have completed bailouts and now Interior
Grant submitted – 1,212,565.20 as total amount
52 SCBA- cost share 110,233.20 cost share. YHFD par 63,690.29
Carmel as FAST
Driver training
Zumpano to MA Test-
Engine Test- Nikisher, J. Wilson, Alfano
Ladder- Weber, T. Douglas

Purchases:

Paperwork for forestry hose

New:

DEUS system was demo'd request to purchase. 3,860.98
Down to 4 PSS systems from 2019- Buy 5 more NYS Contract

Repair/ Replacement:

Portable 4000 microphones need replacement
Request permission to buy two scanners- 2532, 2533, BCD996P2 355.42x2
Unication G5 pagers- 8 more
2532 got inspection oil changer batteries
2531 had tire hole plugged

Dive:

Monthly training continues.

Apparatus:

Car 2531 –62,412 miles 2015 suburban
Car 2532- 13,526 Miles 2019 Tahoe
Car 2533- 83,833 miles 2016 Tahoe
U-83. 64,708 miles 2013 Tahoe
U-36- 100,450 Miles- 2011 Suburban

PENDING

APPROVAL

For the 2022 calendar year. Yorktown Heights Volunteer Firefighters responded and operated at a total of 651 calls for service.

A quick breakdown of this years totals are:

10-75's (working fires or greater alarms): 22

Automatic Fire Alarm (AFA): 262

Motor Vehicle Fires :10

Motor Vehicle Accidents w/injures (MVA): 121

Pins (MVA's w/Extrication): 12

Investigations: 112

Mutual Aid Responses (Scene, FAST, Dive/WRU, Relocate): 55

Utility emergencies (wires down/utility pole fire): 24

Brush/rubbish/outside fires: 23

We also conducted over 250 formal drills and training sessions with over 740 hours of training, totaling over 9,660 man hours of training for our members.

We had 9 new members join our ranks after graduating from our Probationary Volunteer Firefighter Orientation Program with "Probie Class 22-01" and "Probie Class 22-02." 7 of the 9 new members either already had or have completed NYS FF1.

PENDING

The following are the calls for January 2023.

Automatic Alarm – 21

Motor Vehicle Accident – 5

Police Assist – 3

Good Intent – 2

Rubbish – 1

Utility Assist – 2

Smoke Investigation – 3

EMS Assist – 1

Vehicle Fire – 1

CO Alarm – 2

Haz – Mat – 2

Mutual Aid

FAST – 6

Dive – 2

UTV – 1

Drone – 1

Ladder – 2

APPROVAL

Total Calls for January – 55

Total Calls for 2023 = 55