

MONTHLY MEETING: April 11, 2023

Present:

Comm. Charles Moseman
Comm. Martin McGannon
Comm. David Klaus
Comm. Jason Swart
Atty. Tara Tully
Chief Tim Mentrasti
Asst. Chief Matthew Lauria

Absent:

Secy/Treas. Jeanmarie Klaus
Asst. Chief Paul Liberatore

Meeting opened by Dpty. Chm. Moseman at 7:30 p.m.

A moment of silence was observed for Commissioner Arthur Orneck who passed away April 4, 2023. Arthur served the Board as Commissioner for 30 years.

VOUCHERS:

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

MINUTES:

Motion: Comm. Swart to accept the March monthly meeting minutes as amended
Second: Comm. McGannon
All voting aye

MEMBERSHIP:

1. Two applicants, Miguel Nogueira & Thomas Aliberti, appeared before the Board.
Motion: Comm. Swart to accept Miguel Nogueira & Thomas Aliberti as members pending physical & police reports.
Second: Comm. McGannon
All voting aye

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT:

1. Bank Balances as of 03/31/2023:

Operating Fund:

Bank Balance	\$3,210,150.75
Outstanding Checks	<u>(3,199.62)</u>
Register Balance	\$3,206,951.13

Reserve Fund:

Apparatus	\$691,283.58
Communications	174,264.61
Repair	193,434.42
Station #3	
Construction	91,617.41
Ladder	<u>689,336.21</u>
	<u>\$1,839,936.23</u>

Total Balance 03/31/2023 \$5,046,887.36

2. Munistat has stated that since the Fire District is borrowing under \$5,000,000, any interest earnings on the \$3,000,000 bond proceeds that exceed the yield on the bond issue will not be subject to arbitrage rebate requirements.

CHIEFS' REPORT:

1. Alarms for the month were reported
2. See attached
 - Motion: Comm. McGannon to allow up to \$700 to supply refreshments for the May 1st NY Wildland Fire Class.
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye
 - Motion: Comm. McGannon to approve the purchase 4 additional forestry nozzles at state contract price of \$265 each, for a total of \$1,060
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye
 - Motion: Comm. Swart to approve the purchase of a forestry bag at a cost of \$131.70. If the bag works, the Board will consider purchasing more.
Second: Comm. McGannon
All voting aye

MEMBERSHIP (continued):

2. Perspective member George Forbes appeared before the Board. George is moving up from the Junior Corps.
Motion: Comm. McGannon to accept George Forbes as a member pending physical & police reports.
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye
3. The Engine Company elected their officers:
Chief: Tim Mentrasti
Asst. Chief Paul Liberatore
Asst. Chief Matthew Lauria
Motion: Comm. Swart to accept Engine Company officers
Second: Comm. McGannon
All voting aye

DIVE TEAM:

See attached

- Motion: Comm. McGannon to approve the Chief to plan hosting Emergency Rescue Diver 1 Class. The cost will be approved after it is determined the number of people attending.
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye

APPARATUS:

1. See attached
2. Ladder 51 is at Hudson Valley for preventive maintenance and ladder test
3. Various apparatus in for minor repairs

COMMUNICATIONS:

The G5s are in – waiting for chargers. The radios are working well – they worked when the towers went down. May look into ordering 5 more.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

1. The panels are on order for the garage doors.
2. The oil separator part is due in end of April
3. The hose on the diesel pump needs to be replaced
4. There was a discussion on the surveillance videos at the fire stations. If a firefighter requests to look at the video, the request has to go through the Board of Directors. The Commissioners have to come up with a process for FOIL requests of videos.

AUDIT:

Scheduled for April 24th

NEW CONSTRUCTION:

The Construction Committee met with the Board of Directors on March 28th to discuss the possible addition. Comm. Swart said the Board of Directors will work with the Board of Fire Commissioners.

RECRUITMENT:

5 applications were accepted. 1 didn't follow through, 1 dropped out. 3 will be in Probation Class

PURCHASING:

The state contract prices on new Chief's vehicles:

2023 Tahoe \$49,994

2023 Suburban \$56,994

2023 Suburban LT1 (diesel) \$64,994

SERVICE AWARDS:

Paperwork submitted.

IT:

1. Phone boxes ordered.
2. A new password will be put on the video system.

OLD BUSINESS:

Comm. Swart will order True Fuel 55 gallon drum, which was previously approved. He is looking at a cabinet to store it in.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion: Comm. McGannon to appoint Comm. Moseman as Chair and Comm. Klaus as Deputy Chair
Second: Comm. Swart
All voting aye
2. The following was entered into the minutes:

PENDING

APPROVAL

YORKTOWN HEIGHTS FIRE DISTRICT

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

ESTABLISHED 1933

Whereas, the members of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Yorktown Heights Fire District note with deep regret and sorrow the death of **ARTHUR ORNECK**; and

Whereas, **ARTHUR ORNECK** was one of Yorktown's leading citizens well beloved by his neighbors and associates in the town where he resided; and

Whereas, we deem it fit and proper to record our high appreciation of his faithful public services and his good qualities as a neighbor; and

Whereas, as **ARTHUR ORNECK** of the Yorktown Heights Fire District served his people ably well for many years and on every occasion rose to the full measure of his responsibilities and the important public duties devolved upon him;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Yorktown Heights Fire District record with sorrow the death of **ARTHUR ORNECK**, who because of his loyalty to private obligations endeared himself to all those who came in contact with him, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that we extend to his family our sincere sympathy and that this resolution be entered in the minutes and a copy of the same be sent to his bereaved family, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on this 11th day of April, two thousand and twenty three, when this Board adjourns, it adjourns out of respect to his memory.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Comm. Swart to adjourn at 9:46 p.m.

Second: Comm. McGannon

All voting aye.

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**Yorktown Heights Fire District
2023 Payout Record**

Month: Apr-23

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Vo.#	Claimant (Name & Address)	Appropriation:		Check:	
		Acct.#	Amount	Amount	Number
96	Verizon	A3410.4	209.36	209.36	4617
97	AT&T Mobility	A3410.4	139.19	139.19	4620
98	Standard Life Insurance Company	A9045.8	1,127.28	1,127.28	4621
99	Verizon Broadband	A3410.4	37.99	37.99	4622
100	Tully Law Office PC	A3410.4	1,666.67	1,666.67	4623
101	Staples	A3410.4	444.96	444.96	4624
102	Optimum	A3410.4	8.40	8.40	4625
103	World Management Resource Services	A3410.4	1,934.60	1,934.60	4626
104	Water Dept.	A3410.4	79.95	79.95	4627
105	Receiver of Taxes Town of Yorktown	A3410.4	528.43	528.43	4628
106	River Valley Radio	A3410.4	6,398.84	6,398.84	4629
107	Almeida Oil Co.	A3410.4	1,158.51	1,158.51	4630
108	Advantage Emergency Devices, Inc	A3410.4	416.00	416.00	4631
109	Arco Cleaning Maintenance	A3410.4	1,000.00	1,000.00	4632
110	RDF Tire & Automotive	A3410.4	69.95	69.95	4633
111	Corsi Tire	A3410.4	332.45	332.45	4634
112	Emergency Services Marketing Corp. Inc	A3410.4	735.00	735.00	4635
113	Capital One Bank	A3410.4	142.08	142.08	4636
114	Hendrickson	A3410.4	15,443.07	15,443.07	4637
115	Hudson Valley Fire Equipment LLC	A3410.4	646.76	646.76	4638
116	City Wide Automotive Corp.	A3410.4	2,435.03	2,435.03	4639
117	Verizon	A3410.4	579.70	579.70	4640
118	Landcor	A3410.4	12,375.00	12,375.00	4641
119	AAA Emergency Supply Co. Inc.	A3410.4	297.56	297.56	4642
120	Klaus, Jeanmarie	A3410.1	1,900.00	1,900.00	4643
121	Wex Bank	A3410.4	615.80	615.80	4644
122	Almeida Oil Co.	A3410.4	790.79	790.79	4645
123	Grainger	A3410.4	52.14	52.14	4646
124	Fiberl Solutions LLC	A3410.4	1,477.00	1,477.00	4647
125	NYS Employment Taxes	A601	660.81	660.81	829072
126	U.S. Treasury	A601/A9030.8	2,373.15	2,373.15	80576380
127	Con Ed	A3410.4	436.42	436.42	eft
	VOID: Cks 4618, 4619				
	TOTALS		56,512.89	56,512.89	

I certify these claims were audited and allowed by the Fire District Commissioners. Each claimant was paid the amount opposite his name.

Date Apr-23

Jeanmarie Klaus

Fire District
Sec/Treas.

April 2023 Fire District Meeting- Chiefs Report

Training:

In house Advanced FAST under way last night is April 17.
ASHE Class completed- March 27, 2023- Completed with YVAC
Active Shooter Town of Yorktown Drill- May 7 JV Mall- YPD is Lead Agency
Hosting NYS Wildland Fire Class May 1 Classroom and May 6 hands on.

Purchases:

4 Additional Forestry nozzles – \$265.00 Total \$1060.00
1 Forestry Bags \$131.71

New:

None

Repair/ Replacement:

None

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Dive:

Monthly training continues.
Multiple members going to State Swift Water Class in Oriskany NY- U-36 available with notice
Working on running a Basic PADI Class for a few additional members 5 Members \$1200.00 per member
6,000.00
Working on Running an Emergency Rescue Diver 1 for members approximately 10 members for the
Summer/fall.

Apparatus:

Car 2531 –63,212 miles 2015 suburban
Car 2532- 14,022 Miles 2019 Tahoe
Car 2533- 84,045 miles 2016 Tahoe
U-83. 66,013 miles 2013 Tahoe
U-36- 100,450 Miles- 2011 Suburban

APPROVAL

The following are the fire calls for March 2023;

Automatic Alarms – 22
Motor Vehicle Accidents – 9
Structural – 3
Smoke Investigation – 4
Utility Assist – 3
Rubbish – 2
Brush – 1
CO Alarms – 3
Police Assist – 1
Haz – Mat – 2
EMS Assist – 3

Mutual Aid

FAST – 2

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Total Calls for March = 55
Total Calls for 2023 = 176

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