

The Cuba Joint Fire District held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the AAACC at 4 Green Street, New York.

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag.

Roll Call: Commissioners: Wayne Butts-present; Mike Johnson-present; John Lafever-present; Tab Loftis-present; Doug Rettig Sr.-present; Treasurer Carolyn Root-excused; Secretary Richard Seigel Sr.-present.

Also present: Chief David Hardman, 1st Asst. Nick Sweet, 2nd Asst. Aaron Appleby, Captain Roger Bell, 2nd Lt. Devin Bell, Pres. Lewy Kratts, Secretary Bambi Gowdy, Safety Officer Robin Valeri, David Gowdy, Ashley Sweet, Justin Sweet, Keith Perry, P.J. Shaller, Leroy Clark, Mike Pendelton, Derek Clement.

Motion by John Lafever 2nd by Mike Johnson to dispense with the reading of the November 2016 minutes and approve them. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Treasurer's Report by Carolyn Root:

The Chairman presented the abstract in the absence of the Treasurer.

Presentation of the bills by Carolyn Root:

The Commissioners met prior to the meeting to audit the bills presented in voucher form by the Treasurer. Each of the bills presented in voucher form was audited and each Commissioner present placed their signature on each of the vouchers as their approval to pay the bills. Motion by Wayne Butts 2nd by John Lafever and all approved unanimously, it was resolved that the Board of Commissioners, following an audit and approval to pay the bills (vouchers EC#117-16 thru #16-1747) in the amount of \$12,500.42 and allow payment of such bills and order the Treasurer to pay the bills. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Carolyn provided the information for the meeting.

Attached is the monthly audit of the accounts by Doug Rettig Sr.

Motion by Tab Loftis 2nd by Mike Johnson to approve the audit. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Chief's Report by Chief Dave Hardman:

The hose that was purchased with the DEC grant is on the trucks.

The (10) new bottles are here. These will take the place of (10) old bottles. A list of the (10) old bottles will be presented next month so they can be declared surplus.

The new air bottle adapter is on Cuba 6.

We would like to send (4) people to NYS Weekend at the National Fire Academy. Last year the cost was \$190.00/person. A check for \$760.00 must go with the application.

We would like to send (2) people to FDIC in Indianapolis. We need permission so we can get registered and get motel reservations. The cost is \$575.00 for members and \$700.00 for nonmembers. The Department will pay (1) day as in the past.

The thermal image camera has been repaired and is back on Cuba 1.

At the last MVA the Sawzall did not work. The price of a new setup is \$448.00, but will probably cost less on State bid.

Motion by Tab Loftis 2nd by Mike Johnson to send (4) people to the National Fire Academy at a cost not to exceed \$800.00. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Motion by Tab Loftis 2nd by Wayne Butts to send (2) people to FDIC in Indianapolis at a cost not to exceed \$2000.00. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Motion by Wayne Butts 2nd by Mike Johnson to purchase a new Sawzall, case, (2) batteries and a charger on State bid at a cost not to exceed \$448.00. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Incident Report for November 2016:

11/05/16 12:49 12 West Main Street Smoke Detector

11/10/16 16:00 I86E MVA

11/16/16 10:14 9302 Jackson Hill Road False Alarm

11/18/16 13:23 North Shore Road Water Rescue

11/18/16 14:41 State Route 305 MVA

11/20/16 15:06 North Branch Road MVA

11/21/16 05:15 Rawson Road Cancelled in Route

11/30/16 13:14 West Shore Road Vehicle Fire

11/30/16 13:30 County Road 25 Assist Ambulance

Communications:

The officers of CFD presented a letter to the Commissioners about their needs and concerns. The letter will be addressed at the January meeting.

Committees:

Mike Johnson reported that he needs to get a D&B number to go for a grant. He will then become the contact person for grants.

Old Business:

Tab Loftis Reported on the contract for cleaning and repair of turnout gear. It looks like it will cost an estimated \$4300.00/year plus any extra repairs for this service. The company is in Henrietta N.Y. They will pick up the gear and deliver back to CFD in a (1) week turnaround. They will also notify CFD if further repairs are needed and cost of same.

Motion by Mike Johnson 2nd by Doug Rettig Sr. to try a (1) year contract for this service. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

New Business:

Pres. Lewy Kratts presented a list of CFD fund raising events for 2017. The list will be finalized for the January meeting.

The Commissioners were asked to review the district policies for the January meeting.

Open Forum:

There was a discussion on what information will be on the helmet shields. The Commissioners have no problem with the person's name on the shield. The concern is whether it should say Cuba Fire Department or Cuba Joint Fire District. This issue will be addressed at a later date. The (7) helmets currently on order will say Cuba Fire Department and the person's name. The Fire District will pay for the shields.

There was a discussion of whether or not a subject should be brought up in a meeting and voted on at the next meeting vs voting in the same month. Further discussion may be needed, but it appears that it depends on the subject.

Chairman Rettig introduced Leroy Clark as the new commissioner who will replace John Lafever. Chairman Rettig thanked John Lafever for his service.

John Lafever stated that it had been an honor to be a Commissioner since the beginning of the District and as a member of the Cuba Fire Department for many years.

Motion by Tab Loftis 2nd by Mike Johnson to adjourn. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard L. Seigel
Secretary