

The Cuba Joint Fire District held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the AAACC at 4 Green Street, Cuba, New York.

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag.

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

Also present: Chief Nick Sweet, 1st Asst. Derek Clement, 2nd Asst. Aaron Appleby, CFD Secretary David Hardman, 2nd Lt. Jonas Perry

Motion by Mike Johnson 2nd by Wayne Butts to dispense with the reading of the August, 9, 2017 minutes and approve them. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Treasurer's Report by Carolyn Root:

The Treasurer presented the abstract in the amount of \$16,508.26.
There were (2) late bills, Occustar for physicals and hose test.

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 Mike Johnson and all approved unanimously, it was resolved that the Board of Commissioners, following an audit and approval to pay the bills (Vouchers EC#17-138 thru #17-1845) in the amount of \$16,508.26 and allow payment of such bills and order the Treasurer to pay the bills. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0. NOTE: The resolution included the (2) late bills for the total of \$16,508.26.

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

Motion by Mike Johnson 2nd by Wayne Butts to approve the audit as presented. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0. A copy of the audit is filed in the district office.

Chief's Report by Chief Nick Sweet:

All budget items are in.

The pumper and hose tests were done on 9/8/17. (Results-(1) length of hose failed).

The Chief is asking that the vent saw and (5) flashlights be declared as surplus equipment.

There are still (2) members who have not had their physicals.

The officers have completed the 5 yr. plan.

We need to decide what to do with the old tanker.

The Chief has done some more research for a backup camera for the new truck.

Training Night will be 9/19/17 at 6:00 P.M. (EVOC driving course).

Equipment Night will be 9/26/17 at 6:00 P.M.

The Chief presented the specs for the possible pickup truck.

The officers would like to purchase an electronic grease gun for truck maintenance.

Motion by Lee Clark 2nd by Mike Johnson to purchase the electronic grease gun at a cost of \$223.92.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

The Chief stated that the (2) air packs from last month's minutes that needed repair have been sent to the district rep.

The small equipment repair from last month's minutes is under way.

There is a program that will add life to the air bottles that will go out of date in 2018. The program consists of wrapping new fiber glass tape around the bottle. This program will warrant the bottles for an additional (15) years. The cost is \$200.00/ bottle plus S&H. The bottles must be tested every (5) years to ensure their continued use. If a bottle fails during test it will be replaced with a new bottle free of charge. The cost of the test is \$85.00/bottle.

This seems like a viable alternative to having to replace all (31) bottles that will be out of date in 2018 and allow us to replace them normally.

Incident report for August 2017:

8/02/17 08:35 186 East MVA/injuries

8/08/17 14:54 South Shore Road Assist Ambulance

8/12/17 13:39 Bristol Street Smoke Detector

8/12/17 20:41 4520 County Road 6 Cancelled in Route

8/12/17 23:02 140 West Main Street False Alarm

8/21/17 18:52 3 Bristol Street Smoke Detector

8/28/17 06:37 Farnsworth Road Haz. Mat. Incident

8/31/17 00:56 140 West Main Street False Alarm

Committees:

Chairman Rettig will leave copies of the proposed changes to the Procurement Policy in the office for all to review prior to the October meeting

Chairman Rettig passed out an item request sheet for the 2018 budget. The first meeting will be 9/27/17 at 6:00 P.M. in the AAACC.

Mike Johnson stated that he will get with Dave Hardman in January to start on a grant. (Suggested items are masks & air bottles).

Old Business:

Tab Loftis reported that the rest of the small equipment is in and LaFrance will get it to us. The radio charger we have is the wrong charger and will be replaced.

He stated that the department had done a good job putting the new truck in service.

There was a question of how to dispose of the old tanker. Tab will put together a set of specs for the truck and the equipment that goes with it so we can put it out for bid.

Mike Johnson reported that he and Lee Clark had met with CFD President P.J. Shaller on the new fire hall lease. Apparently the proposed lease was brought up at the CFD monthly meeting and was tabled. David Hardman will try to break it loose. Details of the lease are to be available for the budget meeting.

New Business:

Wayne Butts reported on the repair of the leaf springs on Cuba 6.

Motion by Mike Johnson 2nd by Wayne Butts to waive the need for a second quote (per the Procurement Policy) and get the leaf springs repaired at a cost of \$2,102.70. Motion carried by a vote of 4-aye and 1-nay (Tab Loftis).

Wayne also reported that Cuba 1&9 need greasing and Cuba 9 needs an oil change.

We need a list of what we have for hose and SCBA equipment. The chief stated that he felt we needed enough spare hose to fill (1) truck.

Open Forum:

Motion by Wayne Butts 2nd by Mike Johnson to declare the vent saw and (5) flashlights as surplus equipment and dispose of them in an economical manner. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Chairman Rettig reported that we have had no reply to our fire protection contract offer to the Seneca Nation for fire protection of the Tracewell (old Acme) property.

Executive Session:

Motion by Lee Clark 2nd by Wayne Butts to go into executive session on a personnel matter.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

The Commissioners entered into executive session at 7:51 P.M.

Motion by Tab Loftis 2nd by Wayne Butts to return to the regular meeting.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

The Commissioners returned to the regular meeting at 8:14 P.M.

Motion by Mike Johnson 2nd by Lee Clark to appoint Wayne Butts as Medical Officer for the district.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard L. Seigel Sr.
Secretary