

The Cuba Joint Fire District held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday April 10, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. in the Fire Department meeting room at 51 East Main Street Cuba New York.

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag.

Roll Call: Commissioners: Russ Heslin-present; Derek Clement-absent; Mike Johnson-present; John Lafever-present; Marlene Doyle-present; Treasurer Melissa Hardman-present; Secretary Richard Seigel-present.

Also present: Chief Kevin Nutt; 1st Asst. Chief Nick Sweet; Vice Pres. David Gowdy Sr.; Lon Sweet; Keith Perry; Dave Hardman; Lee James; John Wilson; Doug Rettig.

Motion by Mike Johnson 2nd by John Lafever to dispense with the reading of the March minutes and approve them. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Treasurer's Report by Melissa Hardman:

Treasurer gave the commissioners updated figures on the budget.

Presentation of the bills by Melissa Hardman:

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 the vouchers as their approval to have the Treasurer pay the bills.

Motion by John Lafever 2nd by Marlene Doyle and all approved unanimously, it was resolved that the Board of Commissioners following an audit and approval to pay the bills (vouchers #1108-13 thru #1117-13) in the amount of \$4,140.01 and allows payment of such approved bills and orders the Treasurer to pay such bills. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Chief's Report:

Annual meeting and elections of officers held Tuesday April 2, 2013.

Annual dinner and installation of officers held Saturday April 6, 2013.

Structure fire training held on a vacant house April 9th. Will be there again on the 16th and FAST team 2 will also train on this structure.

Annual Occustar physicals will be held April 23rd and 27th.

Pill drop will be held April 27th at the Cuba Fire Hall.

(8) members have completed the EVOC course (Emergency Vehicle Operation Course).

Air cascade system annual maintenance has been completed.

Incident run log for March: There were a total of (5):

Assist ambulance with lifting.

Mutual aid to Friendship cancelled in route.

I-86 mile marker #96 no incident found.

County Road #6 MVA.

Cuba Memorial Hospital FALSE ALARM

Communications:

Chairman Heslin sent a letter to the Comptroller thanking him for Mr. Roberts visit.

Received information on having to have a certified emergency technician for truck repair. Type of repair determines if this is necessary.

Committees:

Mike Johnson reported on Fire Hall repair with the following conclusion: The exterior is basically in good shape. Adding cold air returns and insulation will substantially lower energy costs and the payback period will be minimal.

The roof trusses in the truck bay span a long distance. I believe that distance plus the weight of the tracks, motors, heaters etc. is the cause of the separation of the ceiling drywall joints. However, I would be interested to know whether or not the drywall is 5/8" and rated for high humidity areas.

These are my opinions. We have a lot of really smart people in this Fire Department and I'd appreciate their thoughts.

Also need to look at a light in the center of the West side of the building.

Old Business:

The Board of Directors has agreed to the window display box on the front of the fire hall. As soon as it arrives they will designate a spot on the front of the hall.

The magic box vs Verison is still being debated by the department.

Audit is tabled until May meeting.

John Lafever and Wayne Butts will work on the fire hall lease agreement.

New Business:

Lee James passed out a summary sheet of the claims CFD has had from 6/1/12 to 3/31/13. There were (4) claims: (2) resulted in zero dollars as there was no damage: (1) truck vs auto for \$3,889.36 and (1) port-a-tank repair for \$819.00 on a mutual aid call.

Lee presented quotes from (5) companies to cover the fire district. She recommended that the district keep the insurance with ESIP at a cost of \$12,125/yr. less the fire department portion for firemen's park and the A.A. Arnold Community Center.

Lee also reviewed the Health & Accident policy that the village has carried on the fire department members (incl. the juniors) at cost of \$1,501.01/yr. This is coverage over and above the Allegany County self-insurance plan.

Motion by Mike Johnson 2nd by Marlene Doyle that the Cuba Joint Fire District stay with the current insurance carried ESIP at a cost of \$12,125/yr. less the fire department portion to be paid quarterly and that the current Health & Accident policy be renewed at a cost of \$1,501.01 to be paid annually. Motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Mike Johnson had some questions that arose during his required training. These were reviewed and found that the district is in compliance with the questioned items.

Motion by Mike Johnson 2nd by Marlene Doyle that the Cuba Joint Fire District accept the election results for the chief officers of the department. Chief Kevin Nutt; 1st Asst. Chief Nick Sweet and 2nd Asst. Jason Butts. Motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Open Forum:

The fire department will give the district secretary a copy of accident reports incl. vf1, vf2 & vf3.

Doug Rettig cautioned that a timely audit is necessary to insure that we don't get behind.

Doug also reminded all that the building is 30 yrs. old. And needs to be kept in good repair as the original cost of \$250,000 is probably now in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000.

The board went into executive session at 8:08 P.M. on a personnel matter and building maintenance.

The board returned from executive session at 8:24 P.M.

Motion by John Lafever that (5) overhead doors in the front of the truck bay be replaced (with openers) by Jamestown Overhead Doors at a cost of \$12,595.00. This money is included in the current budget.

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Also discussed that the heating system for the fire hall needs to be replaced. This will be considered after the doors have been repaired.

Motion by Mike Johnson 2nd by Marlene Doyle to adjourn. Motion carried by a vote of 4-0 at 8:29 P. M.