

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DeWITT FIRE DISTRICT
DeWITT, NEW YORK

October 22, 2019

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bronstein at 6:00PM.

Pledge: Led by Ms. Scicchitano

Minutes: A motion was made by Ms. Scicchitano and seconded by Mr. Karoglanian to approve the minutes of the September 24th meeting and the October 15th Budget Hearing. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

Reports of Officer's: Chief Green reported that the period for onboarding new hires for the recently received SAFER grant begins in March of 2020. This can be moved up through a written request. Chief Green further reported that he has met with various personnel and commissioners to discuss a capital plan for Engine 8.

Treasurer's Report: Ms. Fusco reported that the YTD Financials were sent out prior to the meeting.

Vouchers: Ms. Fusco presented the Abstract of Claims Report. (Addendum "A"). Motion made by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Ms. Scicchitano, to approve the General Fund Pre-paid transfers, ACH's and checks (32501-32504) amounting in total to \$126,588.38. Also, pending checks (32505-32547) and ACH's amounting in total to \$68,559.80. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

Correspondence:

- Winterton Estates, Re: Building Use

Response Statistics:

| Year-To-Date Response Stats: | DATE | GENERAL | E.M.S. | TOTAL |
|------------------------------|------------|---------|--------|-------|
| | 08/31/2019 | 682 | 559 | 1241 |
| | 08/31/2018 | 558 | 700 | 1258 |

Training Requests:

| NAME | EVENT | LOCATION | COMP | AMT. | BOARD |
|----------|---------------------|---------------|-------|--------|--------|
| Burns | Street Smart Search | Clay | \$400 | \$975 | PVM/CS |
| Tompkins | NFPA Fire Insp. 1 | Charlotte, NC | \$0 | \$2131 | CS/PVM |
| Karasek | Rescue Task Force | Oriskany | \$0 | \$1400 | |

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Apparatus and Equipment: Chief Green reported that he has updated the command vehicle SOG to include the purchase of the 2014 Chevy Tahoe to be used by the Deputy Chief. Chief Green also reported that after the meeting there will be a "walk around" conducted on Engine 8 to discuss the previously mentioned capital plan

Buildings and Grounds: No report

Finance: Mr. Schultz reported that there have been no major changes to the proposed budget since the October 15th budget hearing.

Long-Range Planning: No report

Personnel/Staffing: Mr. Vander Molen reported that an interview was conducted for a part-time FF/EMT.

Legal: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Ms. Scicchitano to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Motion approved at 6:30PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Ms. Scicchitano to return to the General Session. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Motion approved at 6:52PM.

No business was conducted during the Executive Session.

Captain Canvass:

Chief Green recommended that Lt. Scott Kehoe be promoted to the rank of Captain. Mr. Schultz made a motion that was seconded by Ms. Scicchitano to promote Lt. Scott Kehoe to the rank of Captain effective October 22, 2019. Three Commissioners present voting affirmative (Schultz, Scicchitano and Bronstein), one Commissioner abstaining (Vander Molen). Motion approved.

Deputy Chief Vehicle:

FF/EVT Boyle reported that he has inspected the 2014 Chevy Tahoe being offered for sale by the Minoa Fire Department, including the vehicle maintenance log and found no significant issues. A motion was made by Mr. Vander Molen and seconded by Ms. Scicchitano to purchase the vehicle including emergency warning equipment and rear fire/EMS equipment cabinetry for \$15,000.

NEW BUSINESS:

Building Use:

A motion was made by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Ms. Scicchitano, to approve a building use request from the Rotary District 7150 to use the large conference room on November 17, 2019 from 12:00PM-5:00PM, with no deposit required. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Motion approved.

Firefighter EMT Canvas

Chief Green asked that the District begin the canvas process for the two new hires under the SAFER grant. A motion was made by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Ms. Scicchitano to begin the canvas process through the Onondaga County Department of Personnel. All Commissioners present voting affirmative. Motion approved.

2020 Budget:

A motion was made by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Ms. Scicchitano, to approve the following Resolution.

RESOLVED that the budget for the DeWitt Fire District for the year commencing January 1, 2020, in the amount of \$4,110,856.00 be approved and adopted. The Board members were polled on the foregoing Resolution with the following results:

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| Mr. Bronstein | voting aye |
| Mr. Schultz | voting aye |
| Ms. Scicchitano | voting aye |
| Mr. Vander Molen | voting aye. |

The Resolution was hereby declared duly adopted. A copy of the 2020 DeWitt Fire District Budget is being made a part of these minutes. (Addendum "B")

A motion was made by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Ms. Scicchitano, to approve the following Resolution.

RESOLVED that the DeWitt Fire district shall raise by taxation the amount of \$3,404,421.00 in the year 2020, which is within the tax cap and represents no increase in the tax rate. The Board members were polled on the foregoing Resolution with the following results.

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| Mr. Bronstein | voting aye |
| Mr. Schultz | voting aye |
| Ms. Scicchitano | voting aye |
| Mr. Vander Molen | voting aye |

The Resolution was hereby declared duly adopted

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Scicchitano and seconded by Mr. Vander Molen. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Meeting adjourned at 7:08PM.

MEETING ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: Bronstein (Chair), Schultz (Secretary), Scicchitano and Vander Molen. Treasurer Fusco, Chief Green, Lt. Kehoe, FF Boyle, FF Natoli, FF Suprenant

Brian M Schultz
Secretary
October 22, 2019