

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
DeWITT FIRE DISTRICT  
DeWITT, NEW YORK

April 28, 2020

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order and conducted via teleconference by Mr. Bronstein at 6:05PM.

**Pledge:** Led by Mr. Schultz.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Mr. Karoglanian and seconded by Ms. Scicchitano to approve the minutes of the April 14<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

**Reports of Officer's:**

Chief Green reported the following: He has been continuing to engage neighbors and partners relative to plans and needs during the pandemic. We continue to integrate the probationary firefighters recruit training topics into their shift training. OFPC put out a survey this morning with a potential re-start of RFFT on May 24. He has asked Ms. Fusco to assist him with capturing the recent emergency and unplanned COVID-19 related purchases so that we can compare to budget and determine what, if any, adjustments may be prudent. He has advised all officers that we will be re-evaluating budget priorities based on these findings. Furthermore, he plans to discuss more with DPC Tompkins this week, including the potential re-prioritization of fund-raising asks from DFD, which he will then approach the DFD leadership with. FEMA released guidance on Friday about a supplemental AFG grant program specifically for COVID-19 expenses. The available funding is \$100M and projected awards are 1000 around 10% of which are designated for EMS only and state fire training academies. The priorities are PPE. He further stated that staffing or personnel costs of any type are not eligible. As the general posture towards the pandemic seems to be lightening up a bit, he will begin discussing how local, regional, and statewide plans develop relative to how "re-opening" should be implemented. We will want to maintain proper balance between precautions and operational needs. He also stated that he reached out to NYS Association of Fire Districts regarding potential LOSAP implications from COVID-19. There should not be any issue unless it becomes prolonged for some reason. He went on to state that both New York State DOH and OFPC training general restrictions have been extended through May 15. He then shared that the breathing air compressor has been shipped and he is in the process of arranging installation with respect to the current station restrictions. Lastly, much of the extrication equipment that was acquired through a NYS grant has been delivered and we continue to have good success with keeping our EMS PPE supply intact.

**Treasurer's Report:** No report.

**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 transfer and ACH's amounting in total to \$61,397.87. Also, pending checks (32827-32841) and ACH's amounting in total to \$82,663.49. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

**Correspondence:**

- None

**Response Statistics:**

Year-To-Date Response Stats:	DATE	GENERAL	E.M.S.	TOTAL
	03/31/2020	143	291	434
	03/31/2019	182	281	463

**Training Requests:** None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Apparatus and Equipment:** No report.

**Buildings and Grounds:** No report.

**Finance:** No report

**Long-Range Planning:** No report.

**Personnel/Staffing:** No report.

**Legal:** No report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Sale of Engine 1:**

No new information.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**Inter-Agency Staffing MOA:**

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Scicchitano and seconded by Mr. Karoglanian. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Meeting adjourned at 6:18PM.

**MEETING ATTENDANCE (all via teleconference):**

Commissioners: Bronstein (Chair), Karoglanian, Scicchitano, Schultz (Secretary) and Vander Molen. Treasurer Fusco, Chief Green, Deputy Chief Tompkins

Brian M. Schultz  
Secretary  
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