

Meeting Minutes 11/25/19

Minutes of the Meeting of the Garrison Fire District Held on the 25th of November 2019

1. Call to Order. The meeting of the Commissioners of the Garrison Fire District was called to order by Commissioner Lomonaco, at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Freilich, Commissioner Brower, Commissioner Lomonaco, Commissioner Prentice

A quorum was present.

Other's Present: Secretary, Chief, Treasurer

2. Pledge of Allegiance. The pledge was led by Commissioner Lomonaco.

3. Secretary's Minutes.

On a motion by Commissioner Freilich, which was seconded by Commissioner Brower, the Board moved to approve the minutes from the November 12th meeting. The vote was, Yays: 3 – Commissioner Freilich, Commissioner Brower, Commissioner Lomonaco, Nays: 0, Abstain: 1 -Commissioner Prentice. Motion Carried.

4. Treasurer's Report.

a. The Treasurer did not have a report for this meeting but will have one for the next meeting.

5. Chief's Report.

a. The Chief handed out the call log to the Board and a report which were discussed and are attached to these minutes.
b. There were slightly less calls this year compared to last year due to less brush fire calls.

On a motion by Commissioner Prentice, which was seconded by Commissioner Lomonaco, the Board moved to accept the Chief's report as spoken. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion Carried.

6. President/Company Report.

a. There was no President's/Company report

7. Correspondence.

a. The Board received a letter regarding a product recall with one of the engines. Commissioner Brower will confer with the chief regarding the matter and resolve it.

8. Apparatus.

a. Covered in the Chief's report which is attached.

b. Commissioner Bohl is working on transferring the EZ pass account into the District's name, updating Verizon Account into a government account, ordering 3 new iPad's, ordering 3 chief phones, & updated the names on the knoxbox account. Detailed information is attached in Commissioner Bohl's letter.

9. Building and Grounds.

a. The paving of Station #1 is complete and the patching of the concrete will be complete this week.
b. There is an issue with the door system at Station #2. Commissioner Bohl is working with Liberty Security to resolve it. Anyone with a current key card can still get in the building. A detailed explanation of issue is attached in Commissioner Bohl's letter.

On a motion by Commissioner Lomonaco, which was seconded by Commissioner Prentice, the Board approved using Erickson Brother's again for snow removal for the 2019 / 2020 season. The price to remain the same as last season. The vote was, Yays: 3 – Commissioner Brower, Commissioner Lomonaco, Commissioner Prentice, Nays: 1 – Commissioner Freilich, Abstain: 0. Motion carried.

10. Finance & Insurance.

a. Commissioner Prentice is updating the list of members who qualify for the NY State Cancer Disability Benefit to submit by the required deadline.

11. Community Relations.

On a motion by Commissioner Lomonaco, which was seconded by Commissioner Prentice, the Board approved allowing the Philipstown Garden Club to use the Station #2 parking lot on 5/9/20 for their plant sale. Commissioner Brower will be present during the event. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion carried.

12. LOSAP.

a. The paperwork for Joe Mercurio's beneficiary was received from VFIS to process the claim.

13. Strategic Planning.

a. There will be a meeting in December.

14. Grants.

a. Commissioner Brower and Commissioner Lomonaco will be updating the District passwords in the system as requested.

15. District Health & Safety.

a. A list was sent to TEK of approved members, anyone not on the list needs to get approval before getting a physical.

16. Web.

a. The Board would like to see the following tabs on the District section of the webpage: current year's budget in summary form, prior year's budget in summary form, most recent audit report, minutes, dates of Board meetings, Budget Hearing date, Election petition, Election Date, policy and procedures.

17. Policies & Procedure.

a. Nothing to report

18. Old Business. – No old business to discuss.

19. New Business.

a. A new laptop was purchased for the District Secretary for just under \$1,400.00 due to the old one no longer functioning. All programs and files were transferred from the old laptop.

b. The December Board Meeting will be on 12/9/19. The Organizational Meeting for 2020 will be on 1/13/20.

20. Public Comments. There were no public comments.

21. Presentation of vouchers. The Board then reviewed the checks that were to be issued.

On a motion by Commissioner Brower, which was seconded by Commissioner Lomonaco, the Board approved the payment of vouchers in the amount of \$25,545.04. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor. Motion carried.

22. Meeting Adjournment. With no further business to conduct, on a motion by Commissioner Prentice, which was seconded by Commissioner Freilich, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m. The vote was, Yays: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0. All present in favor, Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Cristin Erickson, Fire District Secretary