The May Monthly Meeting was called to order by Mike Hanley at 6:00 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited by all.

Attendance:

Commissioners: Art Cooley, Michael Hanley, Tammy Guenet and Rolly Churchill.

Absent: Warren Day

Clerk/Treasurer: Jessica Alvarado

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer: William Bamann

Chief: David Johnston

District Manager: Fred Sourwine

Also Present:

Brandon Hulbert and Wava & Jack Bradley Snyder

Opened public comment: Jack Bradley Snyder asked the Commissioners three specific questions. Please see attached.

Chairman Art Cooley addressed each question given. Commissioner Cooley stated that all members of the fleet committee provide recommendations to the Commissioners and Chiefs and once reviewed & discussed the focus then becomes pricing.

The second question addressed. Many budget workshops are held, and a lot of time goes into preparing the budgets. There are many unknows on cost increases that need to be taken into account for.

The third question addressed. The 2% tax cap is very hard to stay under when costs of equipment and apparatus rise every year.

Commissioner Cooley stated that the Fire District is looking into starting a committee reviewing increased % on special districts such as car dealerships ect., to lessen the burden on residential areas.

Closed public comment.

Minutes: The minutes of the April meeting were provided for review/approval.

Upon a motion made by Arthur Cooley, seconded by Tammy Guenet, and after a discussion held, the following resolution was approved:

*Be it resolved that the aforementioned minutes from the April meeting is approved.*

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| Commissioner | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
| Arthur Cooley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Michael Hanley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Tammy Guenet | X |  |  |  |  |
| Warren Day |  |  |  | X |  |
| Rolly Churchill | X |  |  |  |  |

The Motion carried.

Bills and Treasurer’s Report: Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Bamann presented the bills (see attached Abstract of Bills, financial reports, and Bank Statements). The Commissioners were reminded to review and approve/sign the Abstract of Bills and the Vouchers for payment. One Commissioner also needs to review and sign/initial the account reconciliations and Bank Statements.

Upon a motion made by Art Cooley, seconded by Tammy Guenet, and after a discussion held, the following resolution was approved:

*Be it resolved the Board of Fire Commissioners approved bills totaling $113,946.99 presented on the attached abstract of bills be paid.*

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| Commissioner | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
| Arthur Cooley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Michael Hanley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Tammy Guenet | X |  |  |  |  |
| Warren Day |  |  |  | X |  |
| Rolly Churchill | X |  |  |  |  |

The Motion carried.

Chief Report: given

District Manager: See attached report

First Due Software: Upon a motion made by Art Cooley, seconded by Tammy Geunet, and after a discussion held, the following resolution was approved.

*Be it resolved the Board of Fire Commissioners approved purchasing a module from First Due called Incident Reporting-ePCR for $1,664.00.*

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| Commissioner | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
| Arthur Cooley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Michael Hanley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Tammy Guenet | X |  |  |  |  |
| Warren Day |  |  |  | X |  |
| Rolly Churchill | X |  |  |  |  |

The Motion carried.

Patch logo on Vehicles: The Town of Watertown Fire will pay for logos to the trucks.

New Applicants for Volunteer & New Part time FF: Upon a motion made by Mike Hanley, seconded by Tammy Geunet, and after a discussion held, the following resolution was approved.

*Be it resolved the Board of Fire Commissioners approved Antonio Martinez – Volunteer,*

*Becca Hulbert- Station Support Volunteer. New Part-time Firefighters hired: James Docteur, Patrick Lyon & Seth Foster.*

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| Commissioner | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
| Arthur Cooley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Michael Hanley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Tammy Guenet | X |  |  |  |  |
| Warren Day |  |  |  | X |  |
| Rolly Churchill | X |  |  |  |  |

The Motion carried.

Bar inside Rec hall bar: Upon a motion made by Art Cooley, seconded by Rolly Churchill, and after a discussion held, the following resolution was approved.

*Be it resolved the Board of Fire Commissioners approved* closing the Rec Hall bar as of July 1st. NOTE: If the public would like to use the bar, they will have to show proof of insurance or have a catering business show proof of insurance along with the current NYS liquor license to sell alcohol.

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| Michael Hanley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Tammy Guenet | X |  |  |  |  |
| Warren Day |  |  |  | X |  |
| Rolly Churchill | X |  |  |  |  |

The Motion carried.

Alcohol & Beer/Wine: Upon a motion made by Art Cooley, seconded by Rolly Churchill, and after a discussion held, the following resolution was approved.

The alcohol, Beer and Wine in the rec hall bar after July 1st will be determined if the distributor would buy any alcohol back, if not, the above stated will be offered at a discount to the department members.

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| Commissioner | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
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| Michael Hanley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Tammy Guenet | X |  |  |  |  |
| Warren Day |  |  |  | X |  |
| Rolly Churchill | X |  |  |  |  |

The Motion carried.

Executive Session Opened: Upon a motion made by Art Cooley, seconded by Tammy Guenet to go in executive session at 7:23pm.

Executive Session Closed: Upon a motion made by Mike Hanley, seconded by Warren Day to close executive session at 7:47pm.

Shift Change: Upon a motion made by Art Cooley, seconded by Mike Hanley and after a discussion held, the following resolution was approved:

*Be it resolved the Board of Fire Commissioners approved changing the 8 hr. shift hours for the full-time employees, not including the secretary/treasurer to a 12 hr. shift. Date of change to be determined.*

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| Commissioner | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
| Arthur Cooley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Michael Hanley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Tammy Guenet | X |  |  |  |  |
| Warren Day |  |  |  | X |  |
| Rolly Churchill | X |  |  |  |  |

The Motion carried.

Upon a motion made by Art Cooley, seconded by Tammy Guenet and after a discussion held, the following resolution was approved:

*Be it resolved that this meeting is adjourned.*

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| Commissioner | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
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| Michael Hanley | X |  |  |  |  |
| Tammy Guenet | X |  |  |  |  |
| Warren Day |  |  |  | X |  |
| Rolly Churchill | X |  |  |  |  |

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jessy Alvarado

Clerk-Treasurer