

**ENDWELL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
OCTOBER 18, 2011**

Members Present:

**Francis J. Pandich, Jr. Chairman
Scott Costello, Secretary
Lewis Hoffer
Donald Battaglini
George M. Bush**

Others Present:

**Joseph Shoemaker, Asst. Chief
Robert Brady, Asst. Chief
Anthony Fiacco, Treasurer
Alice Fiacco, Administrative Assistant**

A public hearing was held on the budget at 6 pm. As no one from the public attended or wanted to speak, the hearing was closed at 6:20 pm.

Chairman Pandich called the meeting to order at 6:20 pm.

Motion by Member Battaglini second by Member Hoffer to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2011, meeting. All aye; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Prior to the meeting Member Costello reviewed all the bank statements and Treasurer's Reports. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Hoffer to accept the Treasurer's Report. All aye; motion carried.

Hearing of Visitors: None.

Unfinished Business:

1. **Building updates & sign: Member Bush reported that he got information from Delta that the building renovations and sign project will cost approximately \$300,000. This includes renovations to the upstairs east area to add a bunk and shower area. They are now doing a code check for the building. Delta has quoted \$39,900 to write specs for this.**

Because of the sewer line back up last week, we now need to make repair of the sewer line a priority. Member Battaglini will talk to the town engineer to get moving on this.

Discussion of renovations at station #3. With growth in the northern part of the district, need to look at possibly upgrading st #3.

2. **Storage building: On hold.**
3. **St# 1 siren repairs: Member Battaglini will talk to Matco Electric.**
4. **Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to approve the 2012 budget , total spending of \$874,005. All aye; motion carried.**
5. **Rain gear for duty uniform: Got prices on some "breathable" rain gear that everyone seems to like. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to purchase as part of duty uniform at a cost of \$52 for the coat (including Endwell Fire on back) and \$29 for the pants. All aye; motion carried.**

New Business:

1. **Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to approve the October bills: vouchers numbers 10-001 to 10-053 totalling \$25,732.18 and 11-001 to 11-012 totalling \$8,397.29. All aye; motion carried.**
2. **Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to approve the following purchase requests:**

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| Staples - office supplies | line 011 | \$160.86 |
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All aye; motion carried.

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3. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Hoffer to approve the line transfers submitted. All aye; motion carried.
4. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to purchase a new refrigerator for station #3 at a cost of \$399.99 plus delivery charge. All aye; motion carried.
Discussion of old fire company television which is now in the community room because it was used in the Red Cross Shelter. We will ask the fire company to please remove this from the community room and decide what they want to do with this.
5. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to approve the following in the community room:

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| 11/4/11 | M-E Drama club | Cast Party | \$50 security deposit |
| 11/5/11 | M-E Swim Team | Banquet | \$50 security deposit |
| 11/10/11 | M-E Cross County banquet | Banquet | \$50 security deposit |
| 11/19/11 | Jacinda Serkig | 16 th b-day party | \$200 + \$50 sec deposit |

All aye; motion carried.
6. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Hoffer to accept the Chief's Report. All aye; motion carried.
7. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to accept the Training Division Report. All aye; motion carried.
8. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Hoffer to approve the Maintenance Division Report. All aye; motion carried.
9. Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Battaglini to accept the following as new members of the fire company: Jason Beach, Natalia Anderson, Jon Toombs, David Griffith, and Michael Major. All aye; motion carried.
10. In 2003, we sold our 1981 American La France to Ouaquaga Fire Company and this year they donated it to a fire company in Tennessee who could not get it registered because they did not have title. We were able to obtain a title from the NYS DMV and they have requested we sign it directly over to them so they can get the engine into service. Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush, upon recommendation of our attorney and receipt of a hold harmless agreement, to sign the title for this vehicle over to Caton's Chapel/Richardson Cove Volunteer Fire Company in Sevierville, TN. All aye; motion carried.
11. Motion by Member Hoffer, second by Member Battaglini to approve participation in the following parades:
Sat., Oct. 22: Maine-Endwell Homecoming Parade in Endwell
Sun., Oct. 30: West Endicott Halloween Parade in West Endicott
Fri., Nov. 11: Western Broome Veteran's Day Parade in Endicott
Sat., Nov. 19: Boscov's Christmas Parade in Binghamton
All aye; motion carried.
12. Discussion of awarding points to auxiliary members who assisted during the floods. Motion by Member Hoffer, second by Member Bush to give 5 points or 3 points to members who helped out, depending on the time they spent helping. All aye; motion carried.

Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to award additional points to members who assisted during the floods. It was left up to the Chief to decide how points should be awarded. All aye; motion carried.
13. Discussion of duty uniform for auxiliary members. Motion by Member Hoffer, second by Member Bush for the board to purchase t-shirts for auxiliary members with the auxiliary logo, to make them identifiable. The auxiliary must come up with criteria to decide on who should get shirts, based on their level of involvement with the auxiliary. All aye; motion carried.

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14. **Motion by Member Battaglini, second by Member Bush to approve the notice of annual election and appoint the election board: Patricia Vesely, chairperson, and tellers Theresa Shara and Robert A. Brady. All aye; motion carried.**
15. **Motion by Member Hoffer, second by Member Battaglini to accept the donation from Dorothy Galbreath and put it in the AED Fund. All aye; motion carried.**
16. **Motion by Member Bush, second by Member Hoffer to hold a clinic at station #1 and pay for flu shots and tetanus shots for fire company members and spouses who want these vaccines. All aye; motion carried.**
17. **Need to decide on date and caterer for inspection dinner. Members were asked to think about this for next month. We have also discussed bringing in a speaker.**
18. **Asst. Chief Brady suggested that we have a class on dealing with people. We have a lot of new officers who may not know how to deal with personnel issues.**

Motion by Member Hoffer, second by Member Bush to adjourn at 7:15 pm. All aye; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Scott J. Costello
Secretary**

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