

**BREWSTER-SOUTHEAST JOINT FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
December 11, 2019**

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: John Klosowski
A. Gerald Schramek
Martin P. Miller

District Secretary, Mia Tagliafierro
District Treasurer Margaret (Meg) Miller
Jeff Bergstrom, President of Brewster Fire Department
1st Assistant Chief Michael Bizzaro
2nd Assistant Chief Tom Giammbatisto
James DeLawder, Treasurer of Brewster Fire Department

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by District Secretary, Mia Tagliafierro at 7:00PM

PUBLIC COMMENT

James DeLawder asked if there was any update on the investigation of the vandalism that occurred.

The official vote in the Election is as follows:

John Klosowski	103
Martin Miller	57
Moe DeSantis	56
Phil McMurray Sr.	39

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of November 13, 2019 by Commissioner Schramek, 2nd by Commissioner Klosowski. Motion carried 3 -0.

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence was read by District Secretary, Mia Tagliafierro.

ACCEPTANCE OF BILLS/VOUCHERS

All bills and vouchers were reviewed and approved. A Motion to approve the bills and vouchers was made by Commissioner Klosowski, 2nd by Commissioner Miller, motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF DRIVER SUSPENSIONS

Lengthy discussions regarding members who have had their driving privileges suspended for an extended period of time. Commissioner Schramek feels that sustaining the suspension of driving privileges is creating a disadvantage to the Department since there has been no decision to reinstate their driving privileges due to lack of policy. Commissioner Schramek suggests that the Board reinstate their privileges contingent on the member being qualified on the emergency vehicles that they may operate by any accompanying Officer, Chief or Designee; and have them attend and complete any mandatory training that the District should require.

A motion was made by Commissioner Schramek to reinstate members of their driving privileges contingent upon: 1.) them being so qualified on the emergency vehicles that they may operate by any Company Officer, Chief, or their Designee, and; 2.) attendance and completion of any mandatory training that the District should require, 2nd by Commissioner Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

COMPUTER/COMMUNICATIONS/RADIOS

Commissioner Clair was unable to attend the meeting, therefore there is nothing to report.

FACILITIES

Commissioner Clair was unable to attend the meeting; therefore there is nothing to report on spray foam/outside patio tile

Commissioner Klosowski is in contact with Dennis Palmer on washer/dryer.

Michael Liguori was unable to attend, therefore there is no update on the floor drain.

FIRE AND EMS EQUIPMENT

Commissioner Clair was unable to attend the meeting, therefore there is nothing to report.

FIRE ROADS

Commissioner Kaufman was unable to attend the meeting, therefore there is nothing to report.

FIRE PREVENTION

Nothing to report.

INSURANCE CLAIMS/VFBL

Nothing to report.

LEGAL CONTACT/REPORTS

Michael Liguori was unable to attend; the District Secretary will contact him regarding the RFP's for Insurance and Legal Services.

LOSAP

Nothing new to report.

OSHA MANDATES

Multiple live burns have been cancelled this year so there are some members that only have one burn. The Chief reports that they are targeting 6 scheduled burns for next year in preparation of rain date.

Physicals will most likely be in February or March 2020.

Brief discussion regarding Bail Out Systems. The Chief suggests purchasing 20 systems this year for a total of \$10,184.00.

Motion was made by Commissioner Klosowski to purchase 20 PX40 1/23 hook systems from Rescue Products International, a sole source provider, in the amount of \$10,184.00, 2nd by Marty, roll call 3-0.

Airbags have been ordered from MES.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

Vehicle	Beginning Mileage	Ending Mileage	Total Monthly Mileage	Work Performed
11-1-1	35,396	36,227	831	Snow tires mounted
11-1-2	61,113	61,664	551	Snow tires mounted, brakes and rotors, calipers serviced
11-1-3	34,753	35,550	797	

Joe Dexter's submitted work order totaled 38.25 hours

11-2-1 was sold to Red Truck Sales for \$18,000.00

11-8-4 has a bent light due to generator being packed too tight.

RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

Nothing to report.

CHIEF'S REPORT

The Department received a letter from Mahopac Fire Department regarding one of their paid staff that is willing to cover ambulance calls. Chief gave approval but asked Board for their approval as well. The Board will make a decision after checking with Insurance Company.

Milwaukee sales rep at Home Depot quoted \$2,784.77 for a Milwaukee tool set, Chief Bizzaro will forward the quote to Commissioner Klosowski for review.

PAID EMS

Nothing to report.

FUTURE CAPITAL PROJECT

Nothing to report.

NEW APPARATUS 11-8-1

Commissioner Schramek was in contact with Jordan Hardy from the Senator's office 2 days ago, he still has not received the contracts. In the interim, Commissioner Schramek is also working with Mr. Hardy on a 2nd grant for \$50,000 to purchase and install the compressor

TRAVEL AND TRAINING

Chief Bizzaro states there will be a few members attending the FDIC training in Indianapolis.

OLD BUSINESS

Brief discussion and review of the vehicle replacement schedule.

Brief discussion regarding the purchase of equipment before the end of the year.

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

MEETING ADJOURNED

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Klosowski, 2nd by Commissioner Miller. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:33PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Mia Tagliaferro
District Secretary