

Regular Meeting: March 8, 2017

PRESENT:

Commissioners:

J. Klosowski
G. Schramek
K. Clair
J. Toscano
S. Kaufman

M. Liguori, Counsel
P. McMurray, Jr., Chief
M. DeSantis, 1st Assistant Chief
M. Bizzaro, 2nd Assistant Chief
B. Colombraro, President
J. Bergstrom
Paul Didio, Bruen, Deldin & Didio
Ken Andrews, VFIS

M. Miller, Treasurer
R. Tassani, Secretary

Meeting called to order by Renee Tassani at 7:05 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE READ:

A letter from Bruce Colombraro was read stating that Matt Castellano was dropped from his roles at the Brewster Fire Department for not making his points for a period of 2 years.

A letter from Putnam County Bureau of Emergency Services, Anthony Sutton, was read stating that there will be a meeting on March 16, 2017 at 10 a.m. to discuss proposed changes to the agreement from Department/District officials and their legal counsels. Staff from the County Attorney's office will be in attendance to accept constructive and reasonable input to revise the current agreement for the 2018 draft. Attendance should be limited. This meeting will be held at the TOPS building, 112 Old Route 6, Carmel.

The floor was open for public comment, there was none at this time.

Representatives from Bruen Insurance and VFIS were at the meeting to review our current policy.

The insurance policies from Bruen, Deldin & Didio were reviewed. Appraisals for 2-5, 2-4 and 4-1 will be ready at the next meeting.

It was noted that 11-2-5, 11-2-4 and 11-4-1 were missing off the policy. The value of Station 1 assets were also low.

Due to the loss history, the price of our insurance has gone up by \$2000. The insurance company will get back to us to justify the increase.

Train the trainer driving courses were suggested, 5 people could attend at no cost, per Ken Andrews.

Commissioner Clair asked about a Train the Trainer program or driving class since we seem to be having some costly damage that can be avoided, 5 people could attend at no cost, per Ken Andrews from VFIS.

COMPUTER/COMMUNICATIONS/RADIOS

Gerry Shramek spoke regarding a bill we received from A1 Computers of \$3498. We had 8 hours of support in one month dedicated to email issues/purchase of one computer and trouble shooting at station 1. Ken Clair will reach out to A1 to invite them to the next meeting.

Ken Clair ordered tablets for the ambulance. There is a new computer at Station 1, working fine. Bruce Colombraro would like a computer for the Department and also hire an I/T professional separate from the District. After a discussion with the President, he was advised that no other I/T Company can touch our servers or computers.

Ken Clair received quotes for cameras for Station One Firehouse from 3 companies:

Reference Cinema & Sound: \$26,080

Global Custom & Integration: \$17,495

ARI Technology: \$24,450

A MOTION was made by J. Klosowski, 2nd by S. Kaufman to accept the quote of Global Custom & Integration of \$17,495. A roll call was taken and all present approved.

FACILITIES

Elevator is still broken. Company was called to repair.

Ant traps are needed in Station 1.

The department purchased a microwave and refrigerator for Station 1.

A Thank You Letter needs to be written to the members that assisted in the Station 1 renovation. Their help saved a lot of money.

FIRE AND EMS EQUIPMENT

One set of turn out gear has been ordered. This is a wear set and is at no cost to the district. Bailout checks will be done monthly. Chief McMurray suggested renting gear.

FIRE ROADS

Permits are needed for the signs per Chief McMurray. Call before you Dig also needs to be done prior to installing signs.

Since these signs are being put on state roads and town roads we need DOT permission.

FIRE PREVENTION

No new business.

GRANTS/AWARDS

No new business.

INSURANCE CLAIMS/VFBL

There was a claim that is going to collection. Chief McMurray had a hard time locating the paperwork, when it was located, there was a delay in the member filling out the paperwork. Bruce Colombraro will follow up with the member.

LEGAL CONTACT/REPORTS

Lincoln Financial paperwork needs to be signed by Joe Toscano. Morning Star will be managing the plan. Mike Liguori will invite them to a meeting here. Leasing 2 documents were signed.

Resolution provided by Mike Liguori:

[OPINION OF LESSEE COUNSEL

March 20, 2017 Leasing 2, Inc. 1720 West Cass Street Tampa, FL 33606

Re: Equipment Lease Purchase Agreement dated as of March 20, 2017, between Brewster-Southeast Joint Fire District, as lessee (“Lessee”), and Leasing 2, Inc., as lessor (“Lessor”) (the “Agreement”)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

As legal counsel to Lessee, I have examined (a) an executed counterpart of the Agreement, which, among other things, provides for the lease by Lessee from Lessor of the Equipment, (b) an executed counterpart of the Escrow Agreement, dated as of March 20, 2017 (the “Escrow Agreement”), among Lessor, Lessee and BOKF, N.A., as Escrow Agent, (c) an executed copy of the resolution of Lessee which, among other things, authorizes Lessee to execute the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement, and (d) such other opinions, documents and matters of law as I have deemed necessary in connection with the following opinions.

Based on the foregoing, I am of the following opinions:

1. Lessee is a public body corporate and politic, duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, and has a substantial amount of one or more of the following sovereign powers: (a) the power to tax, (b) the power of eminent domain, and (c) police power.

2. Lessee has the requisite power and authority to purchase the Equipment and to execute and deliver the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement and to perform its obligations under the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement.

3. The Agreement and the Escrow Agreement and the other documents either attached thereto or required therein have been duly authorized, approved and executed by and on behalf of Lessee, and the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement are valid and binding obligations of Lessee enforceable in accordance with their respective terms.

4. The authorization, approval and execution of the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement and all other proceedings of Lessee relating to the transactions contemplated thereby have been performed in accordance with all open meeting laws, public bidding laws and all other applicable state and federal laws.

5. There is no proceeding pending or threatened in any court or before any governmental authority or arbitration board or tribunal that, if adversely determined, would adversely affect the transactions contemplated by the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement or the security interest of Lessor or its assigns, as the case may be, in the Equipment.

6. The Equipment to be leased pursuant to the Agreement constitutes personal property and when subjected to use by Lessee will not be or become a fixture under applicable law.

7. The authorization, execution, delivery and performance of the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement by Lessee do not require submission to, approval of, or other action by any governmental authority or agency which action has not been taken and is final and non-appealable.

All capitalized terms herein will have the same meanings as in the Agreement. Lessor, its successors and assigns and any counsel rendering an opinion on the exclusion of the interest components of Rental Payments from gross income for purposes of federal income taxation are entitled to rely on this opinion.

Gerry Shramek reported that \$5000 was deducted from the town of southeast.

LOSAP

In the June papers will will advertise a resolution to amend the LOSAP program to include the 2 Tier Program.

EQUIPMENT/FABRICATION

The warranty for the Dodge Durangos were reviewed. For \$2300 per car we can purchase the extended warranty up to 96 months (from date of purchase) or 125,000 miles. A MOTION was made by Ken Clair, 2nd by Steve Kaufman to go ahead with the extended warranty. A roll call was taken and all present approved.

OSHA MANDATES

Physicals are March 26 and 27, April 2 and 3.
On-line makeups, for the blood borne and Hazmat refresher.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

Ruscon has serviced and inspected all vehicles, Commissioner Clair reviewed with them. Ruscon has serviced 4-1 waiting on a pump (6 weeks out). Tires need to be put on 2-1 (rear),
2-4 needs front tires..

Vehicle	Beg Mileage	Ending Mileage
11-8-3	109054	109870 (being used as 11-1-1)
11-1-2	6180	8090
11-1-3	34408	37225

11-2-3 out for repair, 11-2-4 needs tank level gauge.
11-2-5 has the most repairs, some valves and miscellaneous stuff

RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

No new business.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief needs a check for FASNY class coming up at Putnam County Training Center.

EMS

G. Schramek gave an update of the ePCR Report. Tablets have been ordered and will be in in a few days. Training will begin shortly.

TRAINING & TRAVEL

FUTURE CAPITAL PROJECTS

KG&D Architects will meet with us on Monday, 3/13 at the main house at 7:30 p.m.

NEW APPARATUS

The new 11-5-1 and 11-4-2 have been ordered.

The 11-3-1 cab and chasis should be in.

The new 11-7-2 was reviewed by committee and returned for a few items left off.

TRAINING & TRAVEL

As of December 2016, there will be required training for all officers this year, 2017 to remain as an officer. We will forward to the Chiefs the standards which were adopted last year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The tool mount for 11-6-1 parts are in. Joe Dexter to mount.

NEW BUSINESS

ADP needs to generate a monthly report of work done by employees. Joe Toscano will follow up with them and will be in charge of bringing this report to the monthly meetings.

Mary Ann Burdick, from the Board of Health, reached out to John Klosowski regarding a phone call she received from a member that there has been smoking in the firehouse. All members will be reminded that this is not permitted. John Klosowski spoke about the fact that some members have been working on their personal vehicles and other non member vehicles in the bays. This is not permitted per our insurance policy.

John Klosowski introduced a resolution at the request of Val Butler asking our lawmakers to pass the Cancer Presumptive Bill-Assembly Bill A 711. This was consented to by all commissioners present. G. Schramek to follow up.

A MOTION was made by John Klosowski to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 p.m. All present approved.