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Hughsonville Fire District

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Meets Second and Fourth
Wednesday of each month

Board of Fire Commissioners

Anthony Martino, Jr. - Chairman
Mark Liebermann – Deputy Chairman
Michael Schappert, Vincent Galvin,
John Lorenzini

Paul Rogers, Jr. – Chief of Department
William H. Beale – Deputy Chief
Nick Ward – 2nd Assistant Chief

MINUTES April 9, 2025 Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners

Attendees: Commissioner Anthony Martino, Jr.– Chairman
Commissioner Mark Liebermann - Deputy Chairman
Commissioner Vincent Galvin (Absent)
Commissioner Michael Schappert
Commissioner John Lorenzini

Chief: Paul Rogers, Jr.
Deputy Chief: William H. Beale (Absent)
2nd Assistant Chief: Nick Ward (Absent)
District Secretary/Treasurer: Kim Flower
Attorney for District: Greg Supple, Esq.

Commissioner Martino opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was observed.

Guest Speakers – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Legal

- Attorney Supple stated we are on track to receive \$1,250,000.00 this Friday. Bond closing is all set up with Bank of Greene County and Treasurer signed all paperwork to close.

Treasurer's Report

- Purchase orders, bills, and checks were signed.
- Motion to approve abstract dated April 9, 2025 consisting of 22 items for a total of \$ 355,385.10, with a transfer of \$105,000.00 from general savings to checking was made by Commissioner Schappert.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Liebermann.

- Commissioner Galvin Absent
- Commissioner Schappert Yes
- Commissioner Martino Yes
- Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
- Commissioner Liebermann Yes

- Per last meeting, transfer of \$100,000 to NYClass Building Reserve account and \$135,000 to NYClass Apparatus Reserve account was made.
- Treasurer opened new NYClass account for new Pierce Enforcer Tanker April 9, 2025.
- The credit card statement has five charges under Commissioner Schappert's name that are in dispute. The card has been cancelled and new card was received.

Secretary's Minutes

- Motion to approve the secretary's minutes for March 26, 2025 was made by Commissioner Lorenzini.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Schappert.

- Commissioner Galvin Absent
- Commissioner Schappert Yes
- Commissioner Martino Yes
- Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
- Commissioner Liebermann Yes

Correspondence

- Motion to approve Devin Byrne meeting room use change to Saturday, July 12, 2025 (previous request was for June 2025) was made by Commissioner Liebermann.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Schappert.

- Commissioner Galvin Absent
- Commissioner Schappert Yes

- Commissioner Martino Yes
- Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
- Commissioner Liebermann Yes

Commissioner Report – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Chief's Report

- 2025 Pack flow testing, pump testing and hurst tool testing is complete.
- Ground ladder and hose testing will be conducted May 14, 2025.
- 2025 physicals will be conducted Thursday May 8th and Monday June 9th. Sign-up sheets are posted.
- One injury report was submitted last week. Firefighter VanBuren got something in his eye. He is good. Secretary will be provided with incident report.

A. Apparatus (Repairs) – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

B. Radios and Pagers – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

C. Fire Prevention – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

D. Uniforms – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

E. Purchase request (s)

- Motion to approve purchase of (4) four sets of gear, totaling \$25,032.52 from MES as sole source was made by Commissioner Liebermann.
Motion seconded by Schappert.

- Commissioner Galvin Absent
- Commissioner Schappert Yes
- Commissioner Martino Yes
- Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
- Commissioner Liebermann Yes

- Motion to approve spend \$30,480.74 for the Lucas machine, of which the district will get \$20,000 reimbursed from grant received was made Commissioner Martino.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Lorenzini.

- Commissioner Galvin Absent
- Commissioner Schappert Yes
- Commissioner Martino Yes
- Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
- Commissioner Liebermann Yes

F. Training Report

- Quarter 1 training has been completed. Robert Scott is only member that has not completed.
- Motion to remove Robert Scott Bostwick from active rolls (will remain a life member) due to not meeting district requirements was made by Commissioner Liebermann.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Martino.
 - Commissioner Galvin Absent
 - Commissioner Schappert Yes
 - Commissioner Martino Yes
 - Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
 - Commissioner Liebermann Yes

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Personnel

- Motion to approve new junior active member Olivia Reynolds pending lens, background check and physical was made by Commissioner Liebermann.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Schappert.
 - Commissioner Galvin Absent
 - Commissioner Schappert Yes
 - Commissioner Martino Yes
 - Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
 - Commissioner Liebermann Yes
- Just FYI: Matthew VonBurg was approved by company.

Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts/JHF

- Everything going well with all.

Buildings and Grounds – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Building Expansion

- Commissioner Martino and Commissioner Galvin recently visited two firehouses completed by Sendlewski Architects. Both are beautifully done. We may have to get fields tested but will be discussed at a later date. Architect will be here April 23rd meeting to discuss moving forward with new building.

LOSAP – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Policies and Procedures

- Commissioner Schappert reached out to Lexipol regarding invoice to go through the policies that district has been following but has not heard back. He sent in another request.

Technology, IT Digital Communications – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Website Committee – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Public Information Officers – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

Old Business – *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted*

New Business

- Motion to approve Hudson Valley Professional Musicians for Hudson Valley Volunteer Fireman’s Assoc. Parade, June 14, 2025 in Lake George totaling \$2,325 was made by Commissioner Lorenzini.

Motion seconded by Commissioner Liebermann.

- Commissioner Galvin Absent
- Commissioner Schappert Yes
- Commissioner Martino Yes
- Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
- Commissioner Liebermann Yes

- Motion to allow the company to hold fundraiser, Saturday, May 10, 2025, Thomas Gallman, Sr. will be in charge and chief staff will ensure safety measures are in place was made by Commissioner Lorenzini.

Motion seconded by Commissioner Martino.

- Commissioner Galvin Absent
- Commissioner Schappert Yes
- Commissioner Martino Yes
- Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
- Commissioner Liebermann Yes

- Motion to approve all pancake Breakfasts for the year 2025 (2nd Sundays in March, April, May, September, October, November, and December) was made by Commissioner Lorenzini.

Motion seconded by Commissioner Martino.

- Commissioner Galvin Absent
- Commissioner Schappert Yes
- Commissioner Martino Yes
- Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
- Commissioner Liebermann Yes

- Motion to enter into executive session at 7:22 pm to discuss a personnel matter was made by Commissioner Lorenzini.

Motion seconded by Commissioner Martino.

- Commissioner Galvin Absent
- Commissioner Schappert Yes
- Commissioner Martino Yes
- Commissioner Lorenzini Yes

- Commissioner Liebermann Yes
- Motion to exit executive session at 7:35 was made by Commissioner Schappert.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Lorenzini.
 - Commissioner Galvin Absent
 - Commissioner Schappert Yes
 - Commissioner Martino Yes
 - Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
 - Commissioner Liebermann Yes

No decisions were made and no money spent while in executive session.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Liebermann at 7:36 pm.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Lorenzini.

- Commissioner Galvin Absent
- Commissioner Schappert Yes
- Commissioner Martino Yes
- Commissioner Lorenzini Yes
- Commissioner Liebermann Yes

All quotes were obtained in accordance with the purchasing policy.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Flower
District Secretary