



MINUTES
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting – Tuesday, April 14th, 2020

ATTENDEES: Chairman Marc Komorsky
Commissioner Stephen Piehler
Commissioner Richard Sassi
EMS Admin Michael Benenati
Secretary Bria Le
Commissioner Bob McCord
Commissioner George Burns
Chief Barry Ward
Treasurer Mark Pozniak

At 6:17 pm, Chairman Marc Komorsky called the meeting to order for Tuesday, April 14th, 2020 and noted that they would forgo the Pledge at this time due to the remote meeting. He welcomed everyone in attendance on the call.

MINUTES: 3/24/20 Regular Meeting & 3/30/20 Special Meeting

Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner McCord and SECONDED by Commissioner Piehler, the Board RESOLVED to approve the minutes from the 3/24/20 Regular Meeting. Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

Upon a MOTION made by McCord and SECONDED by Piehler, the Board RESOLVED to approve the minutes from the 3/30/20 Special Meeting. Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

Check - St. Kateri for CPR class - \$228.00

Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Burns and SECONDED by Komorsky, the Board RESOLVED to deposit the funds into the General Fund. Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

ROOM USE REQUESTS: (none)

REPORTS: (by officers present)

- **Treasurer –**
Treasurer Mark Pozniak noted that he didn't have a formal report for this meeting and explained the process to register for grant submissions.
- **Chief –**
COVID-19: Chief Barry Ward gave an overview of the status of the District's COVID-19 management.

AIR PURIFICATION SYSTEM: Chief Ward reviewed a proposal from Redemption Mechanical to install air purification systems at Stations 1 and 2 (full proposal attached). Discussion followed regarding the systems and maintenance.

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Upon a MOTION made by McCord and SECONDED by Piehler, the Board RESOLVED to approve the proposal for \$11,600. Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

LIEUTENANT APPOINTMENT: Ward recommended that the Board appoint Nate Plambeck, who is currently in an acting lieutenant role, to Fire Lieutenant.

Upon a MOTION made by McCord and SECONDED by Komorsky, the Board RESOLVED to appoint Nate Plambeck to Fire Lieutenant. Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

The Board of Fire Commissioners expressed their thanks to Lt. Plambeck for his hard work.

- **EMS Administrator –**

COVID-19: EMS Administrator Michael Benenati gave his report on the COVID-19 operations and expressed his thanks to everyone involved.

LUCAS DEVICE: Benenati showed a video demonstrating the use of a LUCAS device and reviewed the advantages for the District. He requested authorization to purchase an additional LUCAS device for a total of \$15,135.50. Discussion followed regarding the device.

Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Sassi and SECONDED by Commissioner McCord, the Board RESOLVED to approve the purchase. Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

ADDITIONAL ITEMS: Benenati led a discussion on continuing to keep the staff safe even after the virus begins settling down. He also noted there has been an increase in cyber security threats and cautioned everyone to be wary of them.

- **Department –** *(no report)*

- **Union –**

Union President Paul DeMilto said he didn't have a report but requested to sit down with the Board when things calm down to come up with a game plan on contract talks.

OLD BUSINESS/UNRESOLVED ITEMS:

- **Building Repairs/Repair Requests** – Komorsky said that he has been working with a vendor to write the specs for the roof/soffet repairs needed inside and outside of the building at Station 3.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Continuing Education** – Komorsky said he has been doing the online training for OSHA HAZMAT and noted that the course is very onerous. Discussion followed regarding the training.

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- **U.S. Representative** – Komorsky informed everyone that he has been in contact with US. Congressman Antonio Delgado’s senior aid to discuss budget constraints faced by the District and the lack of EMS billing issue. He said the aid was very interested in the concerns discussed.

ABSTRACT: \$163,831.01

Upon a MOTION made by Sassi and SECONDED by McCord, the Board RESOLVED to approve the bills (as per the abstract) for \$163,831.01. Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Anthony Pignataro expressed his thanks to the staff for all of their efforts and asked about grant reimbursement for the purchases mentioned. Short discussion followed about expenses eligible for reimbursement.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:32 pm, upon a MOTION made by McCord and SECONDED by Piehler, the Board RESOLVED to go into Executive Session to discuss two personnel items from the Chief. Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

OPEN SESSION & ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:06 pm, the Board resumed Open Session.

Upon a MOTION made by McCord and SECONDED by Burns, the Board RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting. Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Bria Le – District Secretary

Approved by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 5/12/20

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PROPOSAL

DATE: 04/14/2020

TO: LaGrange Fire District

CC: Marc Komorsky apogee60@yahoo.com
Bria Le secretary@lagrangefireny.us

FROM: REDEMPTION MECHANICAL, INC
STEPHEN TURNER (PRESIDENT)
845-531-9332 RMI316@OUTLOOK.COM

RE: Air Quality Control due to COVID-19 concerns

SCOPE OF WORK: Install Apco Fresh Aire UV sterilization equipment with necessary controls and add MERV 14 air filters to Air Handler units in Stations 1 (3 units) and Station 2 (5 units)

MISCELLANEOUS: Controls will be programmed to turn over air in rooms automatically at least twice per hour in meeting rooms and 3 times per hour in regularly occupied spaces such as offices and ready rooms

TOTAL COST: \$1450 per unit x 8 units total = \$11,600.00

PAYMENT TERMS: 50% deposit is requested to secure units due to extremely high demand and limited stock from manufacturer.

CLOSING: Pricing reflects a 10% discount as per service agreement. Routine service and filter changes are required at intervals of once per month on filters and annual sanitizer service. These can be added to an amended service agreement or set on monthly schedule as part of a modified pm program to include new filters and inspection for proper operation of sanitizer. If desired Station 3 can be added to receive sterilizers and will require 3 units.

