



MINUTES
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting – Tuesday, May 26th, 2020

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

At 6:10 pm, Chairman Marc Komorsky called the regular meeting to order for Tuesday, May 26th, 2020, via Zoom video and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He welcomed everyone and expressed his thanks for joining the meeting.

Komorsky noted that the meeting would go a little out of order to allow Mike King to give his information on a Station 2 roof proposal.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Station 2 Roof Proposal** – Mike King from ICP-Astec presented information on a coating system proposal for Station 2's roof. He said that the Astec system is a higher grade than a lot of other companies and that unlike most other companies the manufacturer is intimately involved in the application. He directed everyone to view a quick informative video at www.whyreplace.com that gives a good introduction to retrofitting roofs with fluid applied coating. Discussion followed regarding the process and the need to determine if the roof is a good candidate. King said the minimum life of the roof coating would be fifteen years and be warranted for any repairs, materials and labor at 100%. Tabled until next meeting.
- **Ready Room Chairs** – Komorsky confirmed with Secretary Le that the chairs had been ordered and noted that they were now just waiting on delivery.
- **Building Repairs/Repair Requests** – Komorsky said that the guy that was taking care of the lawn at Station 3 has apparently outgrown the job so Komorsky is working on a new company to take care of the mowing and cleanup at that firehouse. He noted that getting quotes for the bathroom work is still on hold due to the virus
- **VESO Life Insurance** – Komorsky said the board wants to continue with an insurance policy for the volunteers and the new one will be a few dollars less. Short discussion followed about the policy.
Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner McCord and SECONDED by Commissioner Burns, the Board RESOLVED to approve the new VESO Life Insurance policy (proposal attached). Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

MINUTES: 5/12/20

Upon a MOTION made by McCord and SECONDED by Commissioner Piehler, the Board RESOLVED to accept the minutes from 5/12/2020. Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

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CORRESPONDENCE: *(none)*

ROOM USE REQUESTS: *(none)*

REPORTS: (by officers present)

- **Treasurer** – (no report)
- **Chief** –
EXECUTIVE SESSION: Chief Barry Ward said that he that he had two items for Executive Session of a personnel nature.
- **EMS Administrator** –
NYS CITATION: EMS Administrator Michael Benenati read a citation from the NYS EMS Director to the LaGrange Fire District COVID 19 Incident Management Team (full letter attached).

AMBULANCE REMOUNT: Benenati said that he and Jason Ryan went to view the ambulance that is currently being remounted. He showed everyone several pictures of the progress that has been made so far and said that the District looks forward to receiving the vehicle back within the month. Short discussion followed regarding the light bar and the delay in getting the remount completed.

- **Department** – *(no report)*
- **Union** – *(no report)*

OLD BUSINESS/UNRESOLVED ITEMS: *(addressed earlier in meeting)*

NEW BUSINESS: *(none)*

ABSTRACT: \$31,760.50

Upon a MOTION made by McCord and SECONDED by Burns, the Board RESOLVED to approve the bills for the month of May for \$31,760.50 as per the abstract. Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Anthony Pignataro asked the Board why it was looking at a 15 year solution for the roof instead of a 30 year solution. Komorsky said that the 30 year solution would be a new roof, but he noted that the Board is just looking into this process to compare to others. Short discussion followed regarding the costs.

Next Pignataro brought up his concerns about privacy regarding the 360 degree camera that was installed on the ambulance in the remount. Benenati said that right now they are live feed only to aid the driver. Discussion followed regarding whether the District would ever move to recording.

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LAGRANGE FIRE DISTRICT

504 Freedom Plains Rd • Poughkeepsie, NY 12603



EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 6:58 pm, upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Sassi and SECONDED by Burns, the Board RESOLVED to go into Executive Session to discuss two personnel related item from the Chief and one item related to litigation from the Secretary. Burns – Aye, McCord – Aye, Piehler – Aye, Sassi – Aye, Komorsky – Aye. **Motion Carried.**

OPEN SESSION & ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:06 pm, the Board resumed Open Session. Secretary Le reminded everyone that the Board does not have a second meeting scheduled in June, the only meeting scheduled is June 9th.

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 6/9/20

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VENDOR	Amount Due	PO #	Due Date	5/26/2020
A-1 Auto & Pool Supplies ✓	\$ ✓ 78.34	9734		Shop Supplies
ADP ✓	\$ ✓ 685.82	9733		ADP Fees
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp. ✓	\$ ✓ 5,938.60	9737		Dental Insurance
BJ's Wholesale Club ✓	\$ ✓ 55.00	9721		Annual Membership fee
Central Hudson	\$ ✓ 1,833.63	9723		Electric Sta 2
Central Hudson	\$ ✓ 544.78	9726		Sta 2 Electric
Central Hudson	\$ ✓ 24.10	9730		Sta 3 Electric
Central Hudson	\$ ✓ 868.99	9736		Sta 1 Electric
ClorDiSys Solution, Inc ✓	\$ ✓ 7,500.00	9615		Flashbox UV Disinfection Chamber
HG Page ✓	\$ ✓ 6.49	5085		Glue for Floor Thread
Hudson Valley Fire Equipment ✓	\$ ✓ 1,810.37	9722		Station Intercom Kits
Kosco Heritage ✓	\$ ✓ 236.59	9727		Fuel Oil Sta 3
Lawson Products ✓	\$ ✓ 249.10	9707		Lifeguard cleaner
Manpower ✓	\$ ✓ 544.39	9725		Office Work
Medical Warehouse	\$ ✓ 377.79			Various Medical Supplies
Medical Warehouse	\$ ✓ 346.53			Various Medical Supplies
Medical Warehouse	\$ ✓ 176.40			Various Medical Supplies
Medical Warehouse	\$ ✓ 1,305.00			Various Medical Supplies
Municipal Emergency Services	\$ ✓ 119.84	9482		Career Uniform Shirts
Municipal Emergency Services	\$ ✓ 581.38			Career Uniform Shirts & Boots
Municipal Emergency Services	\$ ✓ 13.92	5087		A A batteries
Municipal Emergency Services	\$ ✓ 2,014.00	9596		Twin Qtr Turn Adapter Assy 742 Series
Murphys Sand & Gravel	\$ ✓ 250.00	5068		Pump out waste water sta 2
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NYCOMCO ✓	\$ ✓ 120.00	5086		Radio issue on 47-85
Safety Instruments ✓	\$ ✓ 323.90	9688		QREA repair
Servpro of NW & SE Dutchess ✓	\$ ✓ 1,185.28	9728		Building cleaning all stations
ShelterPoint Life Insurance Comp ✓	\$ ✓ 930.11	9732		Vision Insurance
Staples ✓	\$ ✓ 195.02	9735		Office Supplies
Stryker Sales Corp	\$ ✓ 452.02	9689		LUCAS Disposable Suction cups
Stryker Sales Corp	\$ ^{232.15} ✓ 243.10	9690		Pediatric Electrodes w/Quik-Combo Connector
Stryker Sales Corp	\$ ✓ 895.38	9651A		LUCAS Desk-top Battery Charger
Stryker Sales Corp	\$ ✓ 1,216.00	9655A		LUCAS External Power supply & Desk-top Battery
Town Of LaGrange ✓	\$ ✓ 65.85	9724		Sta 2 Water Bill
VCI ✓	\$ ✓ 152.72	5079		Camera Covers for 47-71
Verizon ✓	\$ ✓ 141.98	9731		Cable & Internet service
Verizon Wireless ✓	\$ ✓ 28.08	9729		Apparatus & Smartphone service
TOTAL SUBMITTED	\$ ^{31,749.55} 31,760.50		Date:	Commissioner Signatures:
<i>changes listed:</i>				
TOTAL APPROVED				
KEY:				
pre-paid				
Paid				



Department of Health

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Commissioner

SALLY DRESLIN, M.S., R.N.
Executive Deputy Commissioner

May 20th, 2020

La Grange Fire District COVID 19 Incident Management Team
Lagrange Fire District EMS
504 Freedom Plains Road
Poughkeepsie, New York 12603

Re: EMS Week 2020 State EMS Director's Citation

Dear La Grange Fire District COVID 19 Incident Management Team,

Emergency Medical Services professionals are a critical safety net within the New York State health care system, providing out-of-hospital treatment and transport for persons who experience sudden illness or injury.

The true strength of our EMS system lies in dedicated EMS professionals who serve their community with distinction every day. Each year, over 3.5 million calls are handled by over 60,000 volunteer and career EMS professionals in communities throughout New York State responding at any hour, on any given day.

Congratulations, it is with great honor that we recognize you for your contributions to the New York State Emergency Medical Services system. After reviewing the nomination submitted to the Department of Health by your peers, we are proud to present you with the enclosed **New York State EMS Director's Citation** for your outstanding service.

Your professional performance is invaluable to the EMS system and sets an example for others to emulate. On behalf of the New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Systems, we'd like to thank you for your dedication and commitment to EMS in New York State.

We hope you have a wonderful EMS Week!

Sincerely,

Ryan P. Greenberg
State EMS Director

INSURANCE PROPOSAL

PREPARED FOR:

LAGRANGE FIRE DISTRICT

504 Freedom Plains Rd
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

Insurance Proposal Effective:
06/01/2020 -05/31/2021

Presented by:

Rose & Kiernan Inc.
99 Troy Rd
East Greenbush, NY 12061

Voluntary Emergency Service Organizations
VESOLIFE
TERM LIFE INSURANCE FOR VOLUNTEERS

Introduction to the VESO Life Program

VESO Life was established in 1982 to provide group term life insurance specifically for Volunteer Emergency Service Organizations (VESO), such as fire departments, fire districts, rescue squads, ambulance squads, or similar organizations. Since inception, the VESO Life group insurance program offered by Security Mutual and administered by NBT Insurance Agency LLC has been a premier group life insurance program servicing volunteer emergency service organization throughout the United States. In 2018, Security Mutual completed a transaction with Renaissance Life & Health Insurance Company of New York to transition Security Mutual's group insurance operation to Renaissance.

NBT Insurance Agency and Renaissance have worked together to offer you a new VESO program with new underwriting requirements, plan design options, and pricing.

Our team at NBT Insurance Agency delivers expertise with integrity. Our licensed service team is well-versed and experienced in administering this program. Our greatest reward is helping you provide group term life insurance to your members that protect our communities and families.

Member Classification & Benefits

All members must be classified as active or non-active. Non-voluntary members are not eligible for VESO Life group term life insurance.

Active Member Classification

- \$50,000 maximum primary life benefit with matching AD&D and line of Duty benefits is provided to a member at age 16 and above. Coverage is automatically reduced 50% at age 70 subject to a minimum of \$15,000 (the minimum may be less if elected by policy holder and reductions may apply prior to age 70 if elected by policy holder.)
- Must certify that member has received and passed an initial physical and are required to pass annual physicals per NFPA 1582 guidelines
- Line of Duty and optional Extended Line of Duty Benefits is provided for deaths that occur exclusively in the performance of duties for the insured member's primary voluntary emergency services organization. "Primary" organization includes mutual aid calls.
- Member who is temporarily on "sick leave" will retain full benefits as long as they return to active status on census within two policy anniversary dates (24 months maximum.) If not returned to active status on census within that timeframe, the term life benefit will be reduced until returned to active status.

Non-Active Member Classification

- A \$25,000 maximum life-only benefit is provided to a non-active member who has been an active member for a minimum of 5 years in a voluntary emergency services organization and is a current member of good standing. Coverage is automatically reduced at age 70 to \$15,000 (may be less if elected by policy holder and reduction may apply prior to age 70 if elected by policy holder.)

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- Non-active member must be added on census within two policy anniversary dates from the time they were active (24-month maximum)
- If membership lapses for any reason and the non-active member is removed from the census for more than 2 policy anniversary dates, that member will be permanently disqualified from VESO Life benefits.

Underwriting

The VESO Life program will continue to offer a Trust-rated product for all groups up to 250 lives. Groups of 250 lives or more or any groups that require amounts in excess of the standard offerings as outlined above will now be individually underwritten, composite and potentially experience rated.

Group Term Life Plan

The VESO Life group insurance plan provides for life insurance coverage for a qualified member. Benefit features and definition of terms are specifically defined in the plan. This section provides for highlight information of group term life plan benefit features for general knowledge purposes.

Accelerated Death Benefit – this benefit payable if a member is certified as terminally ill. The amount of accelerated death benefit for which a member is eligible is based on the amount of group term life insurance for which s/he is insured, subject to minimums and maximums shown in the policy less any reductions scheduled to apply within the following 12 months.

Member Right to Convert – means the right to buy an individual policy of life insurance during the conversion period set forth in the policy without submitting evidence of insurability (i.e., a statement of medical history used by Renaissance to assess if a person will be approved for coverage.)

Line of Duty Benefit – an amount of additional benefit paid to the member's beneficiary for death in the line of duty if 1) the member was insured under the VESO Life group insurance plan, and 2) the member died within 365 days of the completion of line of duty activities as the result of injury or sickness suffered in the line of duty.

Extended Line of Duty Benefit (Optional) – an amount of additional benefit paid to the member's beneficiary for death in the line of duty if 1) the member was insured under the VESO Life group insurance plan, 2) the member suffered a heart attack or stroke, diagnosed by a physician, within 24 hours of completion of line of duty activities, and 3) the member died of a heart attack or stroke within 365 days after the line of duty activity. **This extended benefit is optional coverage at an additional premium.**

Accidental Death & Dismemberment Plan Rider (Optional)

The VESO Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) plan provides benefit amounts to a member who has suffered a loss under this rider. The member (or his/her beneficiary) must provide proof that 1) the injury occurred while insurance was in force under this rider, 2) the loss was due to an injury, and 3) when the loss occurred in relation to the date of the accident. Benefit features and definition of terms are specifically defined in the plan. This section provides for highlight information of AD&D plan features for general knowledge purposes. **This AD&D rider is optional coverage at an additional premium.**

Loss of Life Benefit – benefit amount paid due to the death of a member resulting from injury as defined in the AD&D Plan.

Seatbelt Benefit – benefit paid if a loss of life benefit is payable under this rider and the loss of life results from an injury sustained while driving or riding in a private passenger car if the member's seat belt was properly functioning and fastened. An investigating officer must certify the correct position of the seat belt. A copy of the police report must be submitted with the claim.

Airbag Benefit – benefit paid if seatbelt benefit is payable to the member for loss of life and the passenger car is equipped as defined in the AD&D Plan.

VESO Life Plan Quote Option 1

Class #:	1	Description:	\$20,000 At Age 65 \$10,000 with AD&D
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Group Term Life	
Principle Sum (Benefit)	\$20,000
Reduction Schedule	At age 65
Guaranteed Issue Limit	\$20,000
Extended Line of Duty (Optional)	N/A

Accident, Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) (Optional)	
Principle Sum (Benefit)	\$20,000
Reduction Schedule	At age 65
Guaranteed Issue Limit	\$20,000

The monthly charge shown below is calculated based on the census provided by Rose & Kiernan, Inc. (or its representative) on 04/15/2020. Subsequent monthly premium charges will be based on gender, current age, and amount of the term life and/or Extended LOD and AD&D principle sums (if applicable) provided to each member.

Member Benefits and Cost Summary					
Age	Life Principle Sum	Optional AD&D Principle Sum	Optional Extended Line of Duty	Census	Monthly Premium Charge
0-64	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0	22	\$214.76
65-69	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0	1	\$8.96
70+	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	1	\$90.91
Totals					
Monthly	Quarterly	Semi-Annual	Annual	Census	
\$314.63	\$943.88	\$1,887.75	\$3,699.99	24	

Important Notes

This quote is based on the information provided at the time of request. Any subsequent changes to the membership information may impact the final premium charge at the time of procuring coverage.

This quote option expires 30 days from the effective date on this proposal. If additional quote options are requested after 30 days, an updated census will need to be provided to ensure quoting is based on most current information.

To learn more about this program, speak with your broker or visit the VESO Life website at

www.vesolife.com