

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

NORTH CASTLE FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2, ARMONK, NY

May 13th, 2024

Constituting a quorum ready to transact business, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Fisher at 7:00 p.m. with the following Commissioners attending:

William Fisher	Chairman
Donald Dehmer	Commissioner
Ernie Lombardi	Commissioner
Edwin Schultz	Commissioner
Joseph McConnell	Secretary
Adam Ross	Treasurer
Jerome Jefferson	District Legal Council

PUBLIC COMMENT

Town Councilman Jose Berra

- Armonk Fol-de-rol will be held June 6 -9th

TREASURER REPORT (attached)

- **2023 Financial Audit** – Awaiting First Security Benefit (LOSAP Annuity) to reissue statements for 2023 with revisions
- **Proprietary Tax Revenue** – The Town of North Castle wired funds in the amount of \$1,833,165 on May 1, 2024
- **Seagrave Marauder** – Payment for the new apparatus has been issued in tonight's batch and will be released upon delivery and inspection of the truck
- **Debit Service** – The 2024 principle and first interest payment to Greene County Bank due on June 1st
- **Starnet Emergency** – A check was needed to be reissued for January service

COMMITTEE REPORTS

House -Commissioner Schultz

- A temporary front door will be installed while a permanent door is fabricated

Truck/Equipment – Commissioner Fisher

- New Engine 287 to be delivered within ten days

EMS – Commissioner Lombardi

- No updates

CHIEFS REPORT (attached)

The Chief reported during the month of April there were 48 Fire calls, 41 EMS calls and 30 False alarms for a total of 119 alarms.

OLD BUSINESS

- No new business was discussed

NEW BUSINESS

April Minutes

-A motion was made by Commissioner Lombardi, seconded by Commissioner Schultz to approve the April 8, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes. All in favor

May Expenses

– A motion was made by Commissioner Schultz, seconded by Commissioner Lombardi to approve May payments totaling \$1,107,504.77. All in favor

Funds Transfer

-A motion was made by Commissioner Schultz, seconded by Commissioner Lombardi to transfer \$1,000.00 from Line 40 “Community Awareness” to Line 5 “Workmen’s Compensation”. All in favor

Vehicle Surplus Resolution

– Commissioner Lombardi made by the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Schultz:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF TWO APPARATUS BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE NORTH CASTLE FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2, A DISTRICT CORPORATION AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

The Board of Fire Commissioners of the North Castle Fire District No. 2 organized and existing under the Laws of the State of New York having an office at its fire house, located at 400 Bedford Road, Armonk, New York the North Castle Fire District No. 2, pursuant to the Law of the State of New York, do hereby resolve as follows:

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners has heretofore examined and reviewed its inventory of Apparatus and performing a cost benefit analysis, taking into consideration, among other things as the useful life of each apparatus, the cost to replace, its utility and value to operations, the cost to maintain and repair, it has determined that it may be economical to declare certain apparatus surplus and sell same at the appropriate time for fair market value, AND

WHEREAS, it is believed that the fair market value of each of the Two (2) apparatus and any included appurtenant equipment, are valued less than One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NYS Town Law § 176 (23) any such resolution of the Board of Fire Commissioners to sell or otherwise dispose of real or personal property valued at less than One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars is subject to a permissive referendum, now

THEREFORE, BE IT IS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

That a 1975 MAXIM PUMPER FIRE ENGINE, a 2012 Chevrolet 2500 SUBURBAN AND ANY INCLUDED APPURTEMENT EQUIPMENT ON EACH APPARATUS ARE DECLARED SURPLUS AND EACH MAY BE SOLD OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF FOR AN AMOUNT ESTIMATED TO BE LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000.00) DOLLARS and further

The resolution was passed on a voice vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners: William Fisher
Donald Dehmer
Ernie Lombardi
Edwin Schultz

NOES: None

Executive Session

-A motion was made by Commissioner Lombardi, seconded by Commissioner Schultz to enter into executive session at 8:07 PM to discuss personnel matters. All in favor

-A motion was made by Commissioner Lombardi, seconded by Commissioner Schultz to exit executive session at 8:25 PM. All in favor

District Legal Counsel Discussion

- The Fire District Legal Counsel Jermone Jefferson was present at the meeting to answer the Board's questions and discuss open items on several subjects. The key takeaways:

- Fire District reserve funds can be invested into U.S. Treasury Notes
- The Fire District may hire a Treasurer residing outside the Fire District providing a suitable candidate cannot be found within the boundaries of the Fire District
- Mr. Jefferson will investigate and report back to the Board best practices for gender neutral bunk rooms and bathrooms

Lithium-Ion Battery Emergency Equipment

-A motion was made by Commissioner Lombardi, seconded by Commissioner Schultz to approve the proposed Lithium-Ion SOG. All in favor

Parade Season

-A motion was made by Commissioner Schultz, seconded by Commissioner Lombardi to allow the Fire Company to take E286 or E288, U82, 51B1 to the Pleasantville Fire Department May 31st parade and the Katonah Fire Department June 5th parade.

EKG Children Screening

-A motion was made by Commissioner Schultz, seconded by Commissioner Dehmer to allow "Who We Play For" to use the Firehouse for children EKG screening in August pending a COI. All in favor

Firehouse Dumpster

-The Board approved the ordering a 30-yard dumpster from Suburban Carting for disposing of unused material in the firehouse.

NYS Volleyball Association

- A motion was made by Commissioner Lombardi, seconded by Commissioner Schultz to the NYS Volleyball Association use of the Training Room the evenings of August 14th,16th,20th and 22nd pending a COI. All in favor

NYS Driver Education Course

-A motion was made by Commissioner Schultz, seconded by Commissioner Lombardi to hire Robert Niedzwiedz to conduct a NYS drivers education course for up to forty Fire Department members at a cost of \$35.00 per person August 6 and 7 from 6:30 to 9:30 PM. All in favor

Bunkroom HVAC Repair

-A motion was made by Commissioner Schultz, seconded by Commissioner Dehmer to accept the ABM Air Conditioning and Heating, Inc proposal to repair the bunk room AC unit at a cost of \$2,155.00. All in favor

Vehicle Diesel Exhaust Filtration System

-A motion was made by Commissioner Schultz, seconded by Commissioner Lombardi to accept the Ward Diesel Filter Systems proposal for diesel exhaust filtration systems for Ambulance 51B1 and E286 at a cost of \$10,572.00 each. All in favor

Radio Communication Paging Alert Update

-A motion was made by Commissioner Dehmer, seconded by Commissioner Schultz to accept the Metrocom Wireless, Inc. proposal for updating the radio communication paging alert system at a cost of \$2,813.51. All in favor

Vehicle Knox Boxes

-A motion was made by Commissioner Lombardi, seconded by Commissioner Schultz to purchase two Knox Boxes for Car 2022 and E288 at a total cost of \$2,628.00 each. All in favor

Vehicle iPad

-A motion was made by Commissioner Lombardi, seconded by Commissioner Schultz to purchase from Verizon Wireless two iPad with cases and cellular service for Car 2021 and E287 at a cost of \$475.00 each. All in favor

Apparatus Drivers

– A motion was made by Commissioner Lombardi, seconded by Commissioner Schultz to approve Robin Lovell as a driver for 51B1. All in favor

– A motion was made by Commissioner Lombardi, seconded by Commissioner Schultz to approve Charlie Swift as a driver for Ambulance 51B1. All in favor

– A motion was made by Commissioner Lombardi, seconded by Commissioner Schultz to approve Brendan Molloy as a driver for Ambulance 51B1. All in favor

Membership

-A motion was made by Commissioner Lombardi, seconded by Commissioner Schultz to accept Daniella Monteforte application for firefighter. All in favor

There being no further business to transact, a motion was made by Commissioner Dehmer, seconded by Commissioner Lombardi adjourned the meeting at 10:14 PM.

Sincerely,

Joseph P. McConnell
Fire District Secretary

Treasurer's Report

May 13, 2024

Final Payment Batch for April:	\$68,213.47
Total Deposits for April:	\$5,345.13
Number of check payments:	27
Number of EFT payments:	7

- **2023 Financial Audit:** We are waiting for First Security Benefit (LOSAP Annuity) to reissue statements for 2023 with revisions.
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- **Starnet Emergency:** A check was needed to be reissued for January's services.
- **Budget Transfer Request:** Public Awareness

North Castle Fire District #2

Abstract of Claims

May 2024

Check	Claimant	Amount
5195	AAA Emergency Supply Co.	\$ 13,966.14
5196	ABM Air Conditioning & Heating, Inc.	\$ 4,720.00
5197	Adam F. Ross	\$ 1,960.55
5198	Alert-All Corp.	\$ 720.00
5199	Allclean Building Maintenance	\$ 3,600.00
5200	Amazon Capital Services	\$ 566.82
5201	Better Water Well Systems, Inc.	\$ 439.00
5202	Boomers Gardening Inc.	\$ 585.00
5203	Firefighters Equipment of N.Y.	\$ 440.67
5204	Hopewell Fire Apparatus Service Co., Inc.	\$ 472.83
5205	Hudson Valley Fire Equipment	\$ 3,703.68
5206	Joseph McConnell	\$ 1,957.13
5207	Konica Minolta Business Solutions	\$ 12.00
5208	Mitchell Fuel	\$ 1,740.87
5209	Motorola Solutions, Inc	\$ 779.23
5210	Municipal Emergency Services, Inc.	\$ 1,615.08
5211	Network and Software Solutions, Inc.	\$ 4,530.50
5212	RICOH USA, Inc	\$ 111.48
5213	RICOH USA, Inc.	\$ 215.00
5214	Seagrave Fire Apparatus	\$ 900,524.00
5215	Starnet Emergency Services, Inc.	\$ 12,749.60
5216	Superior Telephone Systems	\$ 470.00
5217	Town of North Castle	\$ 2,917.46
5218	Verizon	\$ 378.18
5219	Verizon Wireless	\$ 162.61

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Check	Claimant	Amount
5220	Westchester Health Medical, P.C.	\$ 1,264.49
5221	Greene County Commercial Bank	\$ 129,463.75
5222	Starnet Emergency Services, Inc.	\$ 12,749.60
EFT	Cardmember Service	\$ 358.69
EFT	CLEARFLY	\$ 130.06
EFT	Con Edison	\$ 1,819.80
EFT	Crystal Rock LLC	\$ 76.44
EFT	NYS Dept. of Taxation and Finance	\$ 445.94
EFT	Optimum	\$ 217.91
EFT	United States Treasury	\$ 1,640.26
Check Total		Batch Total
28		\$ 1,107,504.77

TOWN OF NORTH CASTLE FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through April 2024

	<u>Jan - Apr 24</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
A1001 · Real Property Taxes				
A1001.1 · Budget Tax Money Rec'd	0.00	1,833,165.00	-1,833,165.00	0.0%
Total A1001 · Real Property Taxes	0.00	1,833,165.00	-1,833,165.00	0.0%
A2262 · Fire Protection Services Other				
A2262.1 · Banksville Ambulance Contract	0.00	20,000.00	-20,000.00	0.0%
Total A2262 · Fire Protection Services Other	0.00	20,000.00	-20,000.00	0.0%
A2401 · Interest and Earnings				
A2401.1 · Interest Earned	448.09	2,500.00	-2,051.91	17.92%
Total A2401 · Interest and Earnings	448.09	2,500.00	-2,051.91	17.92%
A2680 · Insurance Recoveries	23,491.95	0.00	23,491.95	100.0%
A2705 · Gifts and Donations				
A2705.2 · Misc - Bldg usage for voting	600.00	750.00	-150.00	80.0%
A2705 · Gifts and Donations - Other	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
Total A2705 · Gifts and Donations	600.00	1,000.00	-400.00	60.0%
A2770 · Other Income				
.999 · Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total A2770 · Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
A3389 · State Aid, Other Public Safety				
.800 · Grant Monies	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	100.0%
Total A3389 · State Aid, Other Public Safety	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	100.0%
RA2401 · Interest Earned - Res Fund A	254.74	0.00	254.74	100.0%
RB2401 · Interest Earned - Res Fund B	3,652.90	0.00	3,652.90	100.0%
TA50 · Foreign Fire Ins 2% Monies				
TA50.1 · 2% Monies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
TA50.2 · Foreign Insurance Rec'd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total TA50 · Foreign Fire Ins 2% Monies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Income	33,447.68	1,856,665.00	-1,823,217.32	1.8%
Gross Profit	33,447.68	1,856,665.00	-1,823,217.32	1.8%
Expense				
A1930 · Judgement and Claims				
.41 · Refund Of Taxes	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
Total A1930 · Judgement and Claims	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
A3410.1 · Personal Services				
.110 · Treasurer	11,666.68	35,000.00	-23,333.32	33.33%
.111 · FICA	1,758.90	5,750.00	-3,991.10	30.59%
.112 · Federal Withholding Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
.113 · State Tax	0.00	14.37	-14.37	0.0%
.120 · Secretary	10,500.00	31,500.00	-21,000.00	33.33%
.170 · Temporary				
.101 · Data Entry Clerk	825.00	3,300.00	-2,475.00	25.0%
Total .170 · Temporary	825.00	3,300.00	-2,475.00	25.0%
Total A3410.1 · Personal Services	24,750.58	75,564.37	-50,813.79	32.75%
A3410.2 · Equipment				
.230 · Equipment Purchased	42,955.22	105,000.00	-62,044.78	40.91%
Total A3410.2 · Equipment	42,955.22	105,000.00	-62,044.78	40.91%
A3410.4 · Contractual Expenditures				
.40050 · EMT Services	50,998.40	160,000.00	-109,001.60	31.87%
.40100 · Office Supplies				

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	<u>Jan - Apr 24</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
.40101 · Postage	8.97	500.00	-491.03	1.79%
.40130 · Office Supplies - general	1,649.50	0.00	1,649.50	100.0%
.40140 · Bank Fees	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
.40150 · Fire House Software	75.00	0.00	75.00	100.0%
.40100 · Office Supplies - Other	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00	0.0%
Total .40100 · Office Supplies	1,733.47	7,250.00	-5,516.53	23.91%
.40200 · Travel Expenses				
.40201 · Convention	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
.40202 · Motel	662.88			
.40203 · Travel	3,040.80	5,000.00	-1,959.20	60.82%
Total .40200 · Travel Expenses	3,703.68	5,500.00	-1,796.32	67.34%
.40300 · Subscriptions				
A40302 Community Awareness	720.00	500.00	220.00	144.0%
.40301 · Dues / Subscriptions	955.43	5,000.00	-4,044.57	19.11%
Total .40300 · Subscriptions	1,675.43	5,500.00	-3,824.57	30.46%
.40400 · Uniforms	1,776.02	10,000.00	-8,223.98	17.76%
.40500 · Public Drills & Inspections				
.40501 · Installation Dinner	0.00	18,000.00	-18,000.00	0.0%
.40502 · Awards	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
Total .40500 · Public Drills & Inspections	0.00	20,000.00	-20,000.00	0.0%
.40600 · Election Expense				
.40602 · Public/ Legal Notices	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
.40604 · Election Teller	400.00	1,000.00	-600.00	40.0%
Total .40600 · Election Expense	400.00	1,500.00	-1,100.00	26.67%
.40700 · Consultants				
.40701 · Training	925.00	9,000.00	-8,075.00	10.28%
.40703 · Consulting	2,092.50	0.00	2,092.50	100.0%
Total .40700 · Consultants	3,017.50	9,000.00	-5,982.50	33.53%
.40800 · Building and Grounds				
.40801 · Fuel, Light, Water	19,940.30	49,000.00	-29,059.70	40.69%
.40804 · Building & Grounds Improvement	0.00	25,000.00	-25,000.00	0.0%
.40805 · Building & Grounds Maintenance	32,092.43	90,000.00	-57,907.57	35.66%
.40806 · Maintenance Supplies	1,392.89	8,500.00	-7,107.11	16.39%
Total .40800 · Building and Grounds	53,425.62	172,500.00	-119,074.38	30.97%
.40900 · Fire Apparatus and Equipment				
.40901 · Tech Equipment	7,559.90	35,000.00	-27,440.10	21.6%
.40902 · Equipment Repair	25,241.78	70,000.00	-44,758.22	36.06%
.40903 · Gas,Oil, Lubricants	6,425.12	25,000.00	-18,574.88	25.7%
.40904 · Banksville Contract Share	0.00	7,000.00	-7,000.00	0.0%
.40905 · Medical Supplies	1,870.61	10,000.00	-8,129.39	18.71%
Total .40900 · Fire Apparatus and Equipment	41,097.41	147,000.00	-105,902.59	27.96%
.41000 · Fire Alarm System				
.41001 · Telephones	3,730.17	12,500.00	-8,769.83	29.84%
.41002 · Alarm Maintenance	2,270.28	5,500.00	-3,229.72	41.28%
Total .41000 · Fire Alarm System	6,000.45	18,000.00	-11,999.55	33.34%
.41100 · Hydrant Rentals	0.00	34,000.00	-34,000.00	0.0%
.41200 · Insurance				
.41202 · Public Liability & Prop Damage	0.00	67,500.00	-67,500.00	0.0%
.41204 · Other Insurance	30,653.82	32,500.00	-1,846.18	94.32%
Total .41200 · Insurance	30,653.82	100,000.00	-69,346.18	30.65%

TOWN OF NORTH CASTLE FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through April 2024

	Jan - Apr 24	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
.41300 · Legal and Auditing Fees				
.41301 · Audit Services Rendered	0.00	9,000.00	-9,000.00	0.0%
.41302 · Legal Fees	0.00	8,500.00	-8,500.00	0.0%
Total .41300 · Legal and Auditing Fees	0.00	17,500.00	-17,500.00	0.0%
Total A3410.4 · Contractual Expenditures	194,481.80	707,750.00	-513,268.20	27.48%
A9025.8 · Local Pension Fund				
.803 · Length Of Service Awards	4,675.00	54,475.00	-49,800.00	8.58%
.865 · LOSAP - Admin Fee	0.00	4,200.00	-4,200.00	0.0%
Total A9025.8 · Local Pension Fund	4,675.00	58,675.00	-54,000.00	7.97%
A9040.8 · Workers' Compensation				
.810 · Workmens Comp	26,816.00	33,000.00	-6,184.00	81.26%
Total A9040.8 · Workers' Compensation	26,816.00	33,000.00	-6,184.00	81.26%
A9050.8 · Unemployment Insurance				
.811 · Unemployment Taxes	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
Total A9050.8 · Unemployment Insurance	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
A9060.8 · Hospital, Medical & Accident Ins				
.806 · Medical Exams	2,982.57	25,000.00	-22,017.43	11.93%
Total A9060.8 · Hospital, Medical & Accident Ins	2,982.57	25,000.00	-22,017.43	11.93%
A9710.6 · Redemption of Bonds				
.611 · Serial Bond Prin Pyt	405,000.00	405,000.00	0.00	100.0%
.670 · Greene County Serial Bond	0.00	125,000.00	-125,000.00	0.0%
Total A9710.6 · Redemption of Bonds	405,000.00	530,000.00	-125,000.00	76.42%
A9710.7 · Interest on Bonds				
.711 · Bond Interest Due	29,500.00	48,875.00	-19,375.00	60.38%
.755 · Greene County Bond Interest	0.00	8,115.00	-8,115.00	0.0%
Total A9710.7 · Interest on Bonds	29,500.00	56,990.00	-27,490.00	51.76%
A9901.9 · Transfer to Other Funds				
.904 · Transfer to Fund A from GF	0.00	200,000.00	-200,000.00	0.0%
.905 · Transfer to Fund B from GF	0.00	60,000.00	-60,000.00	0.0%
Total A9901.9 · Transfer to Other Funds	0.00	260,000.00	-260,000.00	0.0%
H3410.2 · Fire, Equipment, Capital Outlay				
.231 · Equipment Purchased	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total H3410.2 · Fire, Equipment, Capital Outlay	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Expense	731,161.17	1,857,179.37	-1,126,018.20	39.37%
Net Ordinary Income	-697,713.49	-514.37	-697,199.12	135,644.28%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
A2665 · Sales of Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
A2701 · Refunds of Prior Year's Expense	797.07	500.00	297.07	159.41%
A2706 · Grants from Local Governments				
.50 · LGRMIF Grant	1.26			
Total A2706 · Grants from Local Governments	1.26			
Total Other Income	798.33	500.00	298.33	159.67%
Net Other Income	798.33	500.00	298.33	159.67%
Net Income	-696,915.16	-14.37	-696,900.79	4,849,792.35%

**North Castle Fire District #2
Budget Adjustment Request Form**

May 13, 2024

Requestor: Adam Ross, District Treasurer

Action Requested: Budget Transfer

Date of Submission: May 13, 2024

	Line #	Desc	Amount
To:	40	Community Awareness	1,000.00
From:	5	Workmens Compensation	1,000.00

Justification of Request

Funds are needed for larger expense than what was anticipated

Approval by Board of Fire Commissioners:

Date: _____

First Motion: _____

Date: _____

Second Motion: _____

Chief's Report to Board of Fire Commissioners

May 2024

Calls:

During the month of April there were 48 fire calls and 41 ambulance calls for a total of 89 alarms. There were 30 false alarms for the month.

Apparatus:

The mileage on the Chief cars are as follows:

2021: 23,186

2022: 129,222

2023: 40,844

I would like to recommend Robin Lovell, Charlie Swift and Brendan Molloy be approved to be drivers on 51-B1.

A new Knox key was placed on E-286 and acquired for all (3) Chiefs. The key will now work in any Knox box in the Town of North Castle. The (2) other FDs in North Castle received the same type of key for their vehicles.

Awards:

I would like to board to consider a new awards plaque for the downstairs hallway to commemorate winners of miscellaneous inspection awards (such as the night owl award). We will start the awards from last year and move forward with it. Alex Kornev indicated that he would be willing to take on the task if approved. He would need approximately \$150 to get started.

Personnel:

Vincent Denish has informed me that he has relocated to Somers, as he was unable to find affordable housing in Armonk at this time. He stated he would still like to be an active member and plans to spend at least 40 hours a week working in town. He said he has plans to move back to Armonk if he can find somewhere to live in the future. I advised him we will be watching his performance and if things are not working, he will be asked to resign.

Parades:

I would like to take E286 (or E288 if we don't have a driver for E286), U82 and 51B1 to the following parades:

Pleasantville - 5/31

Katonah - 6/5

Training:

Dates for in-house pump ops class have been moved slightly. They are now May 28 (7pm), May 29 (7pm) and June 1 (8am). We currently have 10 members registered to attend.

I would like the board to consider modifying the driver training program / sheets to include at least one session of driving at night.

I would like the board to start considering a way to modify the training requirements to hold various line officer positions. The current requirements contain classes that are either no longer offered by the county or offered very infrequently. Such considerations might include a basic set of classes (such as FF1 / Fire Officer 1 etc) and then a list of additional classes. Each position would then need to take a minimum number of classes from the list. This way an officer can pick what is available at the time and of interest to them, while still showing progression in training. The list can also easily be modified as classes are offered / removed from the WCDES training programs.

Gear:

Two members' gear were repaired by "Firefighters Equipment of NY". This included repairing / replacing zippers that were broken. This was done onsite at the Banksville firehouse and completed very quickly. One of the main services they also provide is a yearly inspection of all turnout gear and a report on the gear. This will include dates of manufacture and current assignments. They will also report on needed repairs and complete those repairs that are approved. I recommend the board consider this service. Attached is a flier with more information.

I would like the board to consider purchasing 5 brush fire jackets of various sizes.

We are low on structural firefighting gloves and hoods. Attached is a quote for some additional of each.

SOG

I would like the board to approve / provide feedback on SOG (4.34) related to Lithium-Ion Battery Fires (Mobility / Small Battery). This SOG was part of last month's report.

I would like the board to approve / provide feedback on modifications to the apparatus response order as attached to the report. The changes are to move E287 to second due in hydrant districts and to clarify the (2) ambulances that should respond to structure fires and the expectations for each one.

Equipment

Thanks to the efforts of Asst Chief Giaccio and the town highway dept, we were able to create (2) types of chimney chains to be used at future chimney fire incidents. They have been placed on E-286 and the members were shown how to use them. We will incorporate usage of the chains on future chimney fire drills.

I am requesting a new copy machine for the radio room. The current one is broken and unusable.

I am requesting more wood be acquired / cut for the forcible entry prop as we have used a significant amount of our stock over the last year.

I am requesting a new Ipad 10 w/ Cell Service be purchased for car 2021. The current Ipad in car 2021 was placed on E-287. (Approx \$475 + case)

I am requesting an additional \$300 for accountability tags / ID cards.

Brian Fenster

Chief of Department