

EAST GLENVILLE FIRE DISTRICT #3
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
April 15, 2024

Present: Commissioner Gapczynski
Commissioner Ross Thornhill
Commissioner Beth Larson
Chief Nick Abel
1st Assistant Chief Mike Meier
2nd Assistant Chief John Jewell
District Treasurer Jeffrey Prescott
District Secretary Lindsay Abel
Depty Treasurer Tammy Stocker

The Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order by Commissioner Thornhill at 7:45 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were nine people present.

A motion was made by Commissioner Thornhill seconded by Commissioner Larson and approved to approve minutes of the meeting held March 18, 2024 as amended.

Chief's Report: Chief Abel- Attached

Discussion was held regarding the cost of the repair of the light tower on ER-2321. It was decided by the Board that payment will be withheld pending a discussion with Vander Molen regarding the current process of charging for their services.

Discussion was held regarding surplusings the 2014 Ford F-150 (old 237).

Discussion was held regarding the replacement of the hose that was used during the Mohawk Ave bridge strike. A claim has been submitted by Alplaus, including 2 lengths of 2 ½ for EGFD that were contaminated. These have not yet been received.

The Officers will be working on updating pre-plans.

The Board has requested that the chiefs request permission to use the apparatus for social functions.

Discussion was held regarding the liability of using the fire extinguisher simulator at a state training.

Discussion was held repairing vs. replacing the Knox boxes in 239 and 238 they would be \$550 per keypad to repair and new knox boxes would be \$1,500/ea along with an annual fee of approximately \$300.

President's Report- President Abel

Laure Bicknell resigned from membership effective 4/5/24.

The membership of Chris Farley was terminated effective 4/9/24.

Patty Corlett is on a medical leave of absence from the Company effective 4/9/24.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Prescott

Communications:

None

Committee Reports:

Grounds and Buildings; Commissioner Larson

All Type Professional Doors replaced door closer on the door to the District Office.

All Type gave a date of May 1st for parts to be in for the bay door closers.

Industrial Performance came in last week to finish vestibule.

Twin Brothers came to strip and wax the floors the floors. There was an issue with individuals walking on them, this was addressed with the Chief.

The new office chairs came and are being distributed.

Idea for the closet organizers for officers room will be presented soon.

National Grid service for the light out front was canceled March 20th. A bill was received April 6th. The District Administrator will be following up with National Grid.

Zero- turn, push mower, and leaf blower were all picked up by the Town of Glenville. The Zero-turn needs a new battery.

Commissioner Martin has volunteered to reseam wallpaper in hall. He will be added to the account at Village Paint.

The mason that came last year came to talk about pillar caps that were discussed last year. They are recommending slightly pitched caps to shed water.

TurfCo sent the annual service contact letter that says increased prices \$360 it was recommended to accept to the Board.

Rainbow Sprinkler will be coming April 19th turning everything on and inspecting Commissioner Larson instructed the District Administrator to have them fix anything that's broken.

Discussion was held regarding damage done to the lawn from snow plowing.

Comissioner Thornhill received a message from a member making him aware that the wheel of the floor cleaner machine is broke. We paid \$4187 for the entire unit. The cost to repair the wheels would be as follows: without motor \$126.81, with motor \$117.63, labor \$110, travel \$120/hr. They will also do a maintenance check for \$120. Discussion was held regarding fixing the wheel and getting it a maintenance check.

Discussion was held regarding suspicious stains on the floor in the Rec Room and in the Administrative office- Mr. Help removed on Saturday free of charge.

The District Administrator came in and the flow alarm was going off. Eric Freer came and insepcted. The pump is good and the floats were replaced previously. It was recommended to replace the floats with better version \$472.18.

The Chiefs asked to be trained on the sign out front, they will set up with the District Administrator.

Finanace:

No Report

Medical-

Annual firefighter physicals will be held by Wellnow at the firehouse on April 30th from 2pm-8pm.

Legal and Insurance.

The laywer responded to the questions asked last month regarding the grant contract and the contract with the Air National Guard. There is nothing in the contract saying she was actually going to write the grant, the chief is working with grant writer. Also, it will be added that EGFD is responsible for only 50% of the amount owed.

The contract with the Air Guard will tabled for now until there is a clear directive from the lawyer. The lawyer is concerned about our liabity with the foam due to current litigation regarding this topic.

Computers-

There has been no movement on mounting TVs, Commissioners Thornhill and Bradt getting together

Entry way no good spot, Commissioner Thornhill is working to find a good spot.

Personnel- Commissioner Larson

No Report

Equipment and Apparatus- Covered under Chief's report

Use of Station-

Bridal Shower- 5/4/24

Graduation Party 6/29- possible haven't gotten back

VFW- 2nd Tuesday 6:30ish

Voting occurred- no issues noted

Commissioner Thornhill in contact with the County BOE regarding the general election, they are well aware of the expectations.

Policies-

NR

Legislation-

The stipend from the state to take trainings has gone through.

The comment period regarding the OSHA updates was extended to June. The Chiefs are working to get a head of the curve.

LOSAP- No Report

Accident Review Board- No Report

Consolidation-

Additional discussion was held regarding the pending grant. The contract will be amended and signed tonight. The first draft of the grant is complete, the grant writer is buttoning it up, and it will be sent.

Old Business-

Discussion was held regarding the replacement of the compressor. A request for bids will be sent once the District Secretary receives directive from the Board regarding specifications.

New Business-

A motion was made by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Thornhill and approved to surplus the 2014 Ford F-150 with the VIN 1FTFW1EF3EKG17190.

A motion was made by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Gapczynski and approved to \$1500 to Giardenelli Masonry to remove the old pillar caps and install new. To come out of A3410.401 Grounds and Buildings.

A motion was made by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Gapczynski and approved to \$360 to Turfco for the annual service contract of 5 treatments. To come out of A3410.401 Grounds and Buildings.

A motion was made by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Thornhill and approved to approve \$600 to Hilm and Markes to replace two wheels and maintenance on the floor cleaning machine.

A motion was made by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Gapczynski and approved to \$472 to Freer Electric to replace 2 floats and the labor to replace them. To come out of A3410.403 Floors and Rubbish.

Ross found trade on the surplus truck at 15800-18200. The average trade is 17000. The Board agreed on accepting no lower than 15000? The board also stressed that the lights will be removed if not purchased from a municipal emergency service entity.

Approve use of apparatus for ucoimnign ross/ beth.

A motion was made by Commissioner Thornhill, seconded by Commissioner Larson and approved to use the apparatus for the upcoming social events.

Motion for resolution 22402.30 wemdi/beth

A motion for resolution was made by Commissioner Gapczynski, seconded by Commissioner Larson and approved to appropriate 12/31/2023 Assigned Unrestricted Fund Balance (Reserved for Encumbrances) as follows:

Increase:	A3410.209	New Chief's Vehicle	<u>22,402.30</u>
Increase	A5095	Appropriated Fund Balance	<u>22,402.30</u>

To amend the 2024 Budget for the 2023 Chief's vehicle Upfit ordered in 2023 and received in 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gapczynski, seconded by Commissioner Thornhill and approved to approve Abstract #4 dated 4/15/2024, on which line number 143 will be removed pending a meeting with Vander Molen, changing the total of Abstract #4 to 43,641.28.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gapczynski, seconded by Commissioner Thornhill and approved to approve \$252 to purchase Weather-Tech floor mats for 238. To come out of A3410.422 Truck Repair/ Maintenance.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gapczynski, seconded by Commissioner Thornhill and approved to approve \$75 for 1 Instructor 1 Textbook. To come out of A3410.441 Seminars and Memberships.

A motion was made by Commissioner Thornhill, seconded by Commissioner Gapczynski and approved to approve \$1100 to fix the broken Knox Box devices on 239 & 238. To come out of A3410.422 Truck Repair/Maintenance.

Discussion was held regarding covering members who left who have been covered under insurance.

Commissioner Gapczynski signed the amended contract for the grant writer after the following amendments:

F. The grant will be complete prior to the due date

G. East Fire District will be responsible for 50% of the contract amount.

A motion was made by Commissioner Thornhill, seconded by Commissioner Gapczynski and approved to adjourn at. 9:52pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lindsay Abel
District Secretary