

Town of Goshen-Board of Fire Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 6, 2022 7:00PM

Present: Chairman William Lane, Donald Sage, Tony Damiani, Alternate Lisa Foster

Excused:

Others: Chief Barry Hall, Deputy Chief Jason Watley, and Todd Carusillo

Call Meeting to Order: Bill Lane called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Reading of the Minutes: The minutes of the regular meeting of March 2, 2022 were reviewed by the Commissioners.

IN A MOTION made by Tony Damiani and seconded by William Lane, it was **VOTED** to accept the minutes from the March 2, 2022 regular meeting as submitted. Motion carries.

Fire Chief's Report: Chief Barry Hall reported that in the month of March there were 20 EMS calls, 6 MVA, and 10 assorted fire calls for a total of 36 calls this month.

Hurst tool is in need of minor repair with an approximate cost of \$1000 and Engine 2 is looking at a pump replacement with approximate cost of \$20,000 in the next year or so .

House fire on Weldon Court: Was the best orchestrated job that he has seen, guys were awesome, good teamwork with Bantan, Litchfield and Cornwall and we only used 480 gallons of foam. The FireHouse building will be getting power washed, the budget meeting was reviewed and discussed as was the new truck and ambulance needed.

IN A MOTION by Tony Damiani and seconded by Don Sage, it was **VOTED** to accept the Fire Chief's report as presented.

Correspondence: Stryker estimate was reviewed and a brief discussion was had. The Independent Services Contract for Firehouse General Maintenance was reviewed.

Fire Marshal's report: The report for March, 2022 was received and read by the Clerk.

IN A MOTION made by Don Sage and seconded by Tony Damiani it was **VOTED** to receive the March, 2022 report. Motion carries.

Bills: All qualifying bills and vouchers were provided by the Clerk, then reviewed and vouchers were signed by Commissioners. Lisa Foster took a copy of the Optimum bill to call on regarding the fees.

IN A MOTION made by Tony Damiani and seconded by Don Sage, it was **VOTED** to accept and pay bills as submitted. Motion carries

Old Business: William Lane did a review with details of the Budget meeting with the Board of Finance. A discussion was had that one member of the board was giving pushback on the proposed budget. Mr. Lane stated that he made it clear to the Board of Finance that the Fire Commissioners are NOT comfortable with NOT setting aside the needed funds for the new Fire Truck and Ambulance. More discussion was had on the new vehicles, building maintenance, ARPA Funds and the disrespect that the Board and Fire Department was shown at the budget meeting. Retaining of members was discussed as was attracting new members and keeping morale up. At approximately 42 mins into the meeting the internet connection was lost and did not come back until after the meeting had ended.

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New Business: William Lane discussed a new Bill that would require a time for public comments and we will need to figure that out. Clerk discussed the Fire Company Open House on May 22 and invited Commissioners to attend.

OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD: None

IN A MOTION by William Lane and seconded by Don Sage, it was **VOTED** to adjourn the meeting at 7:52pm

Respectfully Submitted,



Lori Clinton
Commission Clerk

Received April 8, 2022 @ 10:22 P.M.

Attest Barbara Z. Breen
Goshen Town Clerk