

**Fire Island Pines Fire District  
Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes  
July 14, 2015**

The meeting was held at the Fire Island Pines Fire House, attended by Commissioners Richard Barry, Frank Corradino, Rosemary Coluccio, Doug Teague and Mark Basta; District Treasurer Peter Weigel; District Secretary Sabrina Shulman; and Chief Bo Fridsberg.

Commissioner Barry called the meeting to order at 6:13pm.

**Correspondence Review**

- New York State Association of Fire Districts letter

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Weigel presented the Fire Island Pines Fire District Treasurer's Report and Invoice Review for June 2015. The budget to actual report was discussed and the authorized expenditure list was reviewed. The District has received all of the outstanding tax warrants.

Commissioner Basta made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and Invoice Review. Commissioner Coluccio seconded, all approved.

Commissioner Basta reviewed the general and reserve account statements for June 2015

**Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Basta made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 6, 2015, meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Corradino seconded, all approved.

**Grounds**

Commissioner Corradino reported that the new garage doors have been delivered and will be installed in the coming weeks. The bathroom in the new fire house and the gong have both been repainted. The apron needs to be fixed and Commissioner Corradino is awaiting a report on the best approach to the project. The old fire house is sinking and in need of extensive repairs. There was discussion about potential renovation of the building. Commissioner Barry will contact Bill Glass about how to begin the planning process for such a capital project should the Board decide to move forward.

**Review of Alarms/Chief's Report**

**Alarms:**

June 21	Electric, Neptune Walk	3410
June 21	Vehicle off walk, Ocean Walk	3411
June 21	Smoke alarm, Bass Walk	3412
June 21	Water rescue, Nautilus Walk	3413
June 22	Smoke alarm, Shady Walk	3414
June 23	Auto alarm, Coops	3415
June 26	Vehicle off walk, Sky Walk	3416
June 26	Gas leak, Bay Walk	3417
June 27	BBQ fire, Neptune Walk	3418
June 28	Helicopter landing, Helipad	3419
June 28	Electrical wire down; Lone Hill Walk	3420
July 2	Mutual aid structure fire, Ocean Bay Park	3421
July 4	Gas leak, FI Blvd	3422
July 5	Water rescue, Sunburst Walk	3423

July 6	Vehicle off walk, Atlantic Walk	3424
July 6	Water rescue, Ozone Walk	3425
July 12	Auto alarm, Pines Hotel	3426

**Officers' Meetings:**

June 27		0804
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**Department Meetings:**

June 6	Installation dinner	0797
June 13	Dept meeting	0798
June 20	Dept meeting	0799
June 25	FILSEC meeting	0800
June 27	Dept meeting	0826
July 12	Survival lecture OBPFD	0827
July 12	Chiefs' Council	0828

**Drills:**

June 10	Review of preplans	0772
June 13	Commercial district walk	0773
June 20	Hose hook up and nozzle training	0774
June 27	Hydrant hook up/hose handling	0775
June 27	Solar Panel training OBPFD	0776

**Work Detail:**

June 16	Install water rescue bags WI	1060
July 4	Stand-by Invasion	1061
July 11	Annual BBQ-Picnic	1062

Chief Fridsberg reported that the BBQ was a big success. He thanked all Department and Fire Corps members who volunteered for the event.

The detailed ISO report arrived, which the Chief will distribute to all Commissioners. He will review it with Department officers at their next meeting and discuss possible areas for improvement.

Fire Fighter Matt Cashman has asked the District to cover the expense for new eyeglasses, as his were broken at a recent alarm. The District will reimburse the expense, upon production of a receipt. He also requested a prescription lens for his mask. The District will purchase. There was agreement that a policy should be developed on purchase of prescription lenses for masks.

There will be an EMS training at Whyte Hall on July 28, 7-9pm by Community Ambulance for all departments on Fire Island.

Flow testing is being performed on the Scott Air-Paks as required and the vendor has submitted a bill to the District.

Madonna Cart issues. On 7/13 while Asst Chief Geiman was checking water rescue bags, the cart got stuck in the sand. This has been an ongoing problem since delivery of the vehicle. It has been suggested by the District Mechanic that we purchase new tires for the vehicle, so that it will perform better on the beach. The cart will be taken out of service for all beach use, until new tires are purchased. Commissioner Teague to get pricing on tires.

### **Budget/Records/Insurance**

Commissioner Coluccio reported that the District received a letter from the IRS stating that an employment tax verification will not be conducted at this time.

Commissioner Coluccio has reached out to three firms about their interest in bidding on an actuarial evaluation of the LOSAP policy. She is also looking for a company to do the fixed asset inventory. The Chief will ask colleagues from other departments for recommendations.

There is a Fire Police training in Yaphank in August that Fire Corps members have been invited to attend. The District will cover the cost of the ferry for members who participate.

The Clam Bake committee has requested the use of the District's grill for the event. The Commissioners approved.

There was discussion of the draft Uniform Policy forwarded by the Department. The Commissioners will review and revise it prior to the next meeting. The District will send letters to Judy Perez and Mark Ski to request return of uniforms and insignias as appropriate for their current positions. It was agreed that the District would pay for silver insignias for the Department Treasurer (keys) and Secretary (quills), but not for any additional uniform embellishments for the two positions. The District will request that the items ordered from All American by the Department in March be returned to the District.

### **Old Business**

Commissioner Barry will contact VFIS to ask why they aren't sending a 1099R to all Department members regardless of whether they are collecting.

Commissioner Barry has done 2<sup>nd</sup> floor pre-plans for approximately half of the over-height buildings in the community and will complete the rest by next meeting.

The District ran an ad in the LI Advance to sell the old No. 7. Commissioner Corradino will follow up with the one interested buyer to assess his offer.

### **New Business**

Commissioner Teague was contacted by someone researching how the increase in fire truck size creates a problem with size of current firehouses. He will respond and perhaps send photos of the FIPFD equipment.

Jordan Cohen received a donation of LED spotlights that he would like to give to the District. The District would need to pay to install them at a cost of \$300. Commissioner Corradino made a motion to approve the expense. Commissioner Basta second, all approved.

Pursuant to a recent change in local municipal law related to volunteer firefighters, Commissioner Coluccio made a motion to approve the following resolution:

It is the intent of this Resolution to make available the coverage provided by General Municipal Law Section 209-il-b.

Whenever a volunteer firefighter of the Fire Island Pines Fire District provides services under General Municipal Law Section 209-I when there is no jurisdictional officer in command present, such volunteer firefighter shall be entitled to coverage under the VFBL coverage provided by the Fire Island Pines Fire District for the provision of such services. Upon the arrival of a jurisdictional officer in command, such volunteer firefighter shall report to

such officer and offer his/her services to assist such fire company or fire department. If such offer of assistance is not accepted, then the volunteer firefighter of the Fire Island Pines Fire District must immediately cease providing any additional services at the scene of the emergency.

Commissioner Corradino seconded, all approved.

Commissioner Barry adjourned the meeting at 8:55pm.