Millwood Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes February 26, 2018

On February 26th, 2018 The Millwood Board of Fire Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting at 7:30 pm at Station 1 located at 100 Millwood Road in the Town of New Castle. Present at the meeting were Chairman Alan Schapiro, Commissioners: Jason Lichtenthal, Anthony Olenik, Dan Puszka and Michael Wolfensohn, Secretary Joseph McConnell, Treasurer Rose Cohen, Chief Jorge Rodrigues, 2nd Assistant Chief Frank Nestro and Chief's Aid Greg Santone.

Chairman Schapiro called the meeting to order.

Public Comment

There was no public present

Chief's Report (Chief Jorge Rodrigues, attached)

Treasurer's Report (Treasurer Rose Cohen, attached)

Commissioner Olenik made a motion to accept the Annual Financial Report Update Document, seconded by Commissioner Wolfensohn. All in favor.

Work Session

Commissioner Olenik made a motion to accept the January 22nd, 2018 minutes, seconded by Chairman Schapiro. All in favor.

Commissioner Olenik made a motion to accept the Millwood Fire Company By-Law change which will create the positions of Third and Fourth Assistant Chiefs, seconded by Commissioner Wolfensohn. All in favor.

Chairman Schapiro provided a status report on the Station 1 Final CO. The open items include AKRF Engineering's final report and Town of New Castle's confirmation of a dedicated water main.

The Secretary reported that the HVAC RFP for Station 1 and 2 have been sent out. Contractor bids are to be submitted to the District by March 23rd and contract to start April 1st, 2018 for a twelve-month period.

Chairman Schapiro and Commissioner Wolfensohn updated the Board on their meeting with Town of New Castle Administrators regarding a formal hydrant contract. The Chairman will meet with the Town regarding suggested enhancements to the contract and report back at the March Board of Fire Commissioner meeting.

The Board reviewed the District Harassment Policy and asked the Secretary to investigate updating the policy.

Commissioner Olenik made a motion to have the Station 2 septic fields and holding tank pumped by Fred A. Cook, Inc, seconded by Commissioner Puszka. All in favor.

The Board reviewed the 2017 Service Award Program qualified LOSAP members and instructed the names be posted for thirty days for member review.

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Chief Rodrigues reported FF Anthony Urena was involved in a MVA February 2nd, 2018 at 2145 hours at 366 Croton Dam Road while responding to a fire alarm. FF Urena was not injured however his personnel vehicle suffered significant damage. The District insurance carrier has been notified and notice of liability has been filed in the Firefighters personnel file.

Commissioner Puszka made a motion to rent two (2) sets of turn out gear if needed at a cost of \$130.00 per set per month for a period no-longer than five (5) months pending a decision on the AFG Grant. The motion was seconded by Chairman Schapiro. Chairman Schapiro, Commissioners Puszka, Lichtenthal and Wolfensohn in favor. Commissioner Olenik opposed.

Commissioner Puszka made a motion to purchase firefighting gloves and hoods from MES at a cost not to exceed \$475.00, seconded by Commissioner Wolfensohn. All in favor. PO#223

Commissioner Puszka made a motion to purchase probationary helmet shields at \$45.00 each from MES at a cost not to exceed \$300.00, seconded by Commissioner Wolfensohn. All in favor. PO#224

Commissioner Puszka made a motion to purchase five pager chargers at as cost of \$48.00 each through eBay, seconded by Commissioner. Lichtenthal. All in favor. PO#225

Commissioner Wolfensohn made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Olenik. All in favor. The time 9:02 PM.

Joseph P. McConnell District Secretary