

TOWN OF ALLEGANY  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
186 West Main Street, Allegany, NY 14706

**September 11, 2014**

The monthly meeting of the Town of Allegany Board of Fire Commissioners was held at 7:00pm in the Commissioner's office of the Allegany Fire Hall, 186 W. Main Street, Allegany, NY 14706.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stan Hedden with the following members present: Frank Hall, Ron Lemon, Roy Rogers, Bob Wenzel and Jill Stady. Also present was Rick Stady, District Chief; Aaron Hooper and Don Peters of the Knapp Creek Department and Jerry Cummins of AREMS.

The secretary read the minutes from the August 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Frank Hall and seconded by Roy Rogers. Board carried.

The treasurer, Jill Stady reviewed the invoices stated below for September 2014.

The following invoices were audited by the members and presented for payment:

Burt Young Sales Center	\$76.14
Cardmember Services	\$4,598.37
Cattaraugus County DPW	\$901.66
Churchville Fire Equipment	\$316.24
ElizaCo. Inc.	\$5,933.28
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Jill Stady	\$500.00
National Grid	\$584.01
NYSEG	\$39.62
Pioneer Products	\$424.09
Robert Wenzel	\$400.00
Time Warner Cable	\$170.07
Twin Tier Overhead Door	\$562.25
Verizon	\$128.26
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15,785.89</b>

A motion to pay the invoices as presented was made by Ron Lemon and seconded by Roy Rogers. Board carried.

Jill also reported the following monthly bank account balances:

Regular checking -	\$3,709.63
Savings - Operating -	\$249,514.90
Savings – Building -	\$197,527.28
Savings – Equipment -	\$105,130.48

A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Frank Hall and seconded by Roy Rogers. Board carried.

The meeting was moved to Executive Session to review the 2013 external audit by Buffamante, Whipple and Buttafaro.

Jill reminded the members of the Association of Fire Districts of New York's Commissioner training will be held at AFD on 9/22 from 8am – 4pm. The AFD Ladies' Auxiliary will take care of the food and Bob will insure the hall is cleaned. Jill will make a small sign to place in front of the building so attendees know where to enter. All members plus Jill will attend at a cost of \$125.00 each.

Jill and Roy notified the members of a New York State Comptroller webinar on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. This training is to review the new Property Tax Cap freeze and how the district needs to comply. All members will attend and Jill will register everyone.

Jerry Cummins and Rick explained that the repairs that need to be completed at the AREMS building may need to wait until Spring 2015. The members and Rick will meet on Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30am to walk around the building to review what work needs to be done. A scope of work will be reviewed to start receiving bids for the work.

Rick asked the members for a Fall clean up day in October. On the agenda is completing the monument work and other various tasks around the building. A date will be set in the next few weeks. Rick also asked that a company be hired to clean the building, like it was in the Spring. Roy Rogers suggested offering the tasks to the Ladies Auxiliary first, if they are not interested then to contract out with Clean Sweep Cleaners. A motion to hire the Ladies Auxiliary or Clean Sweep Cleaners was made by Frank Hall and seconded by Bob Wenzel. Board carried.

Don Peters and Aaron Hooper explained their dislike of the proposed contract with Knapp Creek. They explained the changes in the truck rental and the amount of building and utility lease will create financial hardship on the department. Jill asked Don Peters to create a chiefs budget for 2014 and 2015 and the members will review the contract within a few weeks and report back. The members are also waiting on a written response from Mark Butler. The members also expressed their great concern for the operations of the Knapp Creek Ambulance; stating that the members have been asking for a letter that the fire district is not liable for funding, operations or the members providing service for the ambulance. Don and Aaron stated they will get the letter soon.

Rick provided the members with his 2015 Chiefs Budget. Jill will add to the 2015 budget and have a copy for the commissioners to approve by the next meeting.

Rick also asked the members for approval to hire John Eberth to write the 2015 FEMA grant. A motion to hire John was made by Bob Wenzel and seconded by Roy Rogers. Board carried.

The members asked Jill to draft a letter to Ed Mager of the NYS Department of EMS regarding the Knapp Creek Ambulance.

Rick also asked the members to have service work be completed on the camera and computer system at the hall. A motion was made by Frank Hall and seconded by Roy Rogers. Board carried.

The next scheduled meeting is October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7pm at the Commissioner's office at the Allegany Fire Hall.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Frank Hall and seconded by Bob Wenzel. Board carried.

Respectively Submitted,

Jill M. Stady, Secretary