

**ORCHARD PARK BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY MEETING**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Orchard Park Fire District was held on February 9, 2010 at 8:00 PM in the Board Room of the Orchard Park Fire Hall. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Simpson.

Roll Call:

Commissioner:	Robert Glace	Treasurer:	Deborah Rogers
Commissioner:	Jerry Davern		
Commissioner:	Robert Eiskant	Secretary:	Roberta Buczkowski
Commissioner:	Robert Simpson	EMS:	Tony Balaster
		Training:	William Hanrahan

Fire Company Officers Present:

Orchard Park Chief:	Joe Jensen
Windom Chief:	Bob Baun
Hillcrest Chief:	Ernie Matthews

Others Present:

Robert Baun, Windom	Howard Hoffman, Windom
Ken Machemer, Orchard Park	Dennis Bosley, Orchard Park
Rich Mrugalski, Orchard Park	Doug Wolf, Hillcrest
Jack Putnam, Orchard Park	Alan Barager, Orchard Park
Ray Stromecki, Brown & Stromecki Insurance	Dave Stromecki, Brown & Stromecki

Approval of Minutes of the Meeting:

Motion made by Commissioner Davern, seconded by Commissioner Glace, that the minutes of the January meeting be approved. Motion carried.

Communications and Action on Same:

1. Letter from State of New York Dept. of State Committee on Open Government re: open meeting law. Filed.
2. Letter from Orchard Park Fire Company re: life member for two firefighters. See new memberships and removals.
3. Letter from Orchard Park Fire Company re: use of central on 2-2-2010. Filed.
4. Letter from Hillcrest Fire Company re: out of service for firefighter. Copy to OP 10, original filed.
5. Letter from Orchard Park Town Clerk's Office re: proposed street names, Lyrica Lane and Avondale Court. Both ok with the fire district. Original returned to town clerk's office. Copy filed.
6. Official ballot for Association of Fire Districts of the State of New York for region six. Completed and mailed.
7. Flyer from Empire Safety Council for a defensive driving course. Basket.
8. Certificate of Insurance for Fire District. Filed.

9. VFIS newsletter. Basket.
10. Letter from Arthur Blachowski for Director of Region 6. Basket.
11. Letter from Raymond Funk for Director of Region 6. Basket.
12. Erie County Fire District Officers next meeting March 17th. Basket.
13. 2010 annual meeting of the Association of Fire Districts. Basket.
14. Town of Orchard Park Planning Department agenda of February 10th meeting. Filed.
15. Town of Orchard Park Planning Department minutes of the December 9th meeting. Filed
16. Letter from Windom Fire Company re: out of service for installation dinner. Filed.
17. Letter from Windom Fire Company re: change of address for firefighter Hanrahan. Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Davern regarding same. Motion carried. Letter filed.
18. Letter from Windom re: new member Guy Carey. Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Glace to table until the March meeting. Motion carried.
19. Letter from Orchard Park Fire Company re: hardship.
Motion made by Commissioner Davern, seconded by Commissioner Eiskant to go to executive session. Motion carried. Executive session began at 8:15pm. Dave Stromecki, Ray Stromecki, President of Orchard Park, Jack Putman and OP Chief Joe Jensen requested to stay.
Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Davern to return to regular meeting. Regular meeting resumed at 9 pm.
Motion made by Glace, seconded by Commissioner Davern to remove firefighters Joanne Couell, Robert Cuillo, Eric Kaderli, Ken Macheimer, and Joseph Wertman from the Orchard Park Fire District for failure to comply with the requirements of membership in the Orchard Park Fire District for the past two years, and cannot reapply for membership until March 1, 2011. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

No transfers are needed.

The monthly cash flow report is attached to the file copy.

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Eiskant to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

District Dan Neaverth Jr. (Given by Commissioner Glace):

1. Monthly reports read. Attached to file copy.
2. Work Session will be February 17th at 6:30.
3. Escape Rope training this Saturday, 2/13 at Fire Training academy from 8am until noon. Bring your turnout gear. Need at least 2 from each department and would prefer those who conduct company training. OP 10 will bring donuts and coffee.
4. Regarding the 400 MHz-awaiting a break in the weather to climb the water tower and activate.
5. Would remind the district officers that there are capacity limits on the rigs, especially the ambulances. We cannot be responding to EMS calls with six firefighters in the ambulances.

Orchard Park Chief, Joe Jensen:

1. Orchard Park 2 will be at the EVAC course at Marilla on February 22nd.

Windom Chief, Bob Baun:

No report

Hillcrest Chief, Ernie Matthews:

1. Hillcrest will be at the Orchard Park Market Place on March 6th for Fire Prevention. Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Eiskant regarding same. Motion carried.

District EMS Officer, Tony Balaster:

1. Windom has adopted a policy of their 8 responding cold to a call. The EMS on scene can upgrade to hot. Would like to discuss at the next work session.
2. The training classes will be posted.
3. There was a call at Leisure Rinks on Friday night. While on route to Children's hospital the ambulance was sideswiped. Fortunately there was no injury or real damage.

NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND REMOVALS:

*****Orchard Park*****

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Davern to remove Joanna Couell from the District Rolls. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Davern to remove Robert Cuillo from the District Rolls. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Davern to remove Erick Kaderli from the District Rolls. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Davern to remove Ken Macheimer from the District Rolls. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Davern to remove Joe Wertman from the District Rolls. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Davern to remove Jennifer Borokny from the District Rolls. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Davern to remove Stan Werner from the District Rolls. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Davern to remove Phil Wick from the District Rolls. Motion carried.

*****Hillcrest*****

None

*****Windom*****

None

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

Commissioner Davern:

1. Reminder that the applications for the fire companies will come to either Commissioner Eiskant or Commissioner Davern.

Commissioner Eiskant:

1. Attended Fire District Commissioners meeting January 17th at Snyder. The fire police training has increased from 9 hours to 21 hours.
2. Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Davern to send Commissioner Simpson to commissioner school for \$125.00 and to reimburse Commissioner Simpson for going to school. Motion carried.
3. Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Davern for the Windom truck committee to tour the plant for the pre-built conference. Motion carried.
4. Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Davern for the Windom Truck Committee to spend up to \$2000.00 as they deem necessary to make a pre-plan change on the new truck. Motion carried.

5. Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Glace for a live burn at 4509 Abbott Road. No date yet. Motion carried.

Commissioner Glace:

1. Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Davern for the district to cover ½ the cost of the new dishwasher at Hillcrest. Motion carried.
2. Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Eiskant to pay the life insurance for the district not to exceed \$30,000.00. Motion carried

Commissioner Simpson:

No report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

None

PRESENTATION OF BILLS AND ACTION ON THE SAME:

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Eiskant that the bills be paid as presented for a total of \$89,435.68. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

There being no further business to come before this Board, motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Davern that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 9:15 PM

Respectfully submitted, Roberta Buczkowski, Secretary