

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

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Orchard Park Fire District was held on April 13, 2010 at 8:00 PM in the Board Room of the Orchard Park Fire Hall. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Szewc.

**Roll Call:**

Chairman:	William G. Szewc	Dist. Chief:	Dan Neaverth Jr.
Commissioner:	Robert Glace	Treasurer:	Deborah Rogers
Commissioner:	Jerry Davern	Attorney:	Michael Chelus
Commissioner:	Robert Eiskant	Secretary:	Roberta Buczkowski
Commissioner:	Robert Simpson	EMS:	Tony Balaster

**Fire Company Officers Present:**

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

**Others Present:**

Howard Hoffman, Windom	Bill Mounstevan, Windom
Thomas Held, Windom	Pat Landy, Windom
Christopher Powers	Andrew Kowalski
Aaron Martin	Tony Scolese, Orchard Park
Slavic Glowczynski, Orchard Park	Bruce Henning
Alan Barager, Orchard Park	Jack Putnam, Orchard Park
\Ray Stromecki, Brown & Stromecki Insurance	Dennis Bosley, Orchard Park
David Stromecki, Brown & Stromecki Insurance	John Wittmann, Hillcrest
Peter Slotman, Hillcrest	Doug Wolf, Hillcrest
Richard Mrugalski, Orchard Park	

**Approval of Minutes of the Meeting:**

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

**Communications and Action on Same:**

1. Notice from Philipps Brother Supply Company re: Customer Appreciation Night April 21<sup>st</sup>. Basket
2. Copy of letter from Attorney Chelus re: Firefighter. Filed.
3. Letter from Orchard Park Fire Company re: use of Central April 6 & 25, 2010. Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Eiskant regarding same. Motion carried.
4. Letter from Erie County Mutual Aid re: 2010 membership renewal. Filed.
5. Town of Orchard Park Planning Dept. Minutes of the February meeting. Filed.
6. Town of Orchard Park Planning Dept. Agenda for April meeting. Filed.

7. Letter from Orchard Park Fire Company re: removal of firefighter. See new memberships and removals.
8. Letter from Hillcrest Fire Company re: use of Hillcrest Hall 4-1, & 25 and May 5 & 22, 2010. Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Davern regarding same. Motion carried.
9. Letters from Hillcrest and Windom Fire Companies re: fund drives. Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Eiskant for all three companies to begin their fund drives. Motion carried.
10. Letter from Brown & Stromecki Insurance re: required Governmental Disclosure Statement. Filed.
11. Letter from Absolut Care re: oxygen use patients. Given to OP 9.
12. Letter from Grisanti Tax re: moving from EMS Inc. Building sooner than expected.
13. Letter from Windom Fire Company re: removal of firefighter. See new memberships and removals.
14. Letter from Orchard Park Firefighter re: incident at Central. Filed.
15. Letter from Windom Fire Company re: use of Windom Hall May 2, 2010. Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Davern regarding same. Motion carried.
16. Letter from Windom Fire Company re: use of Windom Hall April 18, 2010. Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Eiskant regarding same. Motion carried.
17. Letter from Hillcrest Fire Company re: out of service for Installation Dinner from 3pm April 24<sup>th</sup> to 7am April 25<sup>th</sup>. Filed.

Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Glace to put the fund drive ad in the Orchard Park Bee. 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 Davern to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

**District Dan Neaverth Jr.:**

1. Monthly reports read. Attached to file copy.
2. Received letter from Scott Air Packs. They are the sole source for equipment for the Scott Air Packs.
3. There were some issues with EMS and the working structure fire on Tanglewood on Saturday that have been resolved.
4. Problems again with Orchard Park's camera. Will have to decide what the district is going to do with the next generation of cameras.
5. The small equipment budgets are due now.
6. Work session will be April 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

**Windom Chief, Bob Baun:**

1. Permission needed from board for Kelsey Metz to do community service at Windom for school. Motion made by Commissioner Simpson, seconded by Commissioner Glace regarding same. Motion carried.

**Hillcrest Chief, Ernie Matthews:**

No report

**Orchard Park Chief, Joe Jensen:**

1. OP 2 will be at the Pump Ops Class for two nights this month in North Collins.

**Training:**

1. There are two forms that are required. One is the enrollment course request from the county and then when they go to the class there is another form that has to be filled out for the State.
2. If any firefighter is taking the FF1 class they are requiring a chief officers or his representative to appear at the orientation session prior to the class because of the difficulty of getting the apparatus for these classes.

**District EMS Officer, Tony Balaster:**

1. ASL Class will be at OP Central on May 1 & 2, 2010. Need rosters from the Chiefs.
2. Handed out the forms for the Rapid Recert class to the Chiefs, need them back.
3. The Orchard Park Police Department would like to begin to meet on a monthly basis to see about handling the calls better.
4. The Vital Signs Conference will be in New York City this year so will be a little more expensive. Need the names of who is going. Will be discussed further at the work session. Per OP 10, just a reminder that it is not a pleasure trip.

**NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND REMOVALS:**

**\*\*\*Orchard Park\*\*\***

Motion made by Commissioner Davern, seconded by Commissioner Eiskant to remove Chad Gill from the District Rolls. Motion carried.

**\*\*\*Hillcrest\*\*\***

None

**\*\*\*Windom\*\*\***

Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Glace to remove Daniel Phetteplace from the District rolls. Motion carried.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS**

**Commissioner Davern:**

No report

**Commissioner Glace:**

1. Stripping of the floors at Hillcrest. Will check out during the Commissioners inspection. Probably due this year.

**Commissioner Eiskant:**

No report

**Commissioner Simpson:**

1. Secured the funding for Windom's new pumper through HSBC

**Commissioner Szewc:**

1. The 100 Club has the Line of Duty Death Applications. Have contact them as none have come in with any new applications. Will be sending the applications out.
2. Will be leaving for FDIC in Indianapolis on Sunday, May 19th at 6am. Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Davern to set the Per Diem rate at \$61.00 for FDIC. Motion carried.
3. The Legislature in Albany has begun looking at the 2% money.
4. The State has begun auditing the Fire Districts.

**Attorney Chelus:**

1. The Bond Closing for \$500,000 was through HSBC.
2. The Office of the Comptroller has been asking questions about the Awards Program. This was sent to the Supervisor of Orchard Park, Janis Colarusso. Dave Stromecki check and an audit was conducted. All is in compliance.

Motion made at this time by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Glace to go to Executive Session. Motion carried. Executive session began at 8:21pm

Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Davern to return to regular meeting. Motion carried. Regular meeting resumed at 9:17pm

Motion made by Commissioner Davern, seconded by Commissioner Simpson to uphold the removal of Aaron Martin from the Orchard Park Fire Company and the Orchard Park Fire District Rolls. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Eiskant to reinstate Firefighter Christopher Powers to the Orchard Park Fire Company and the District Rolls with suspension from said District until September 1, 2010. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Eiskant to reinstate Firefighter Andrew Kowalski to the Orchard Park Fire Company and the District Rolls with suspension from said District until September 1, 2010. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The list of physicals due has been given to each Chief. The physicals must be completed by the end of April.

A reminder from OP10 that if you took your physical in February 2009, for example, and you did not get your new physical until April of 2010 then you were not covered in the month of March.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion made by Commissioner Glace, seconded by Commissioner Eiskant to approve the Insurance Renewal due May 1, 2010. Motion carried.

If a firefighter takes training through ECC he/she will get 9 credit hours towards their degree.

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:**

None

**PRESENTATION OF BILLS AND ACTION ON THE SAME:**

Motion made by Commissioner Eiskant, seconded by Commissioner Davern that the bills be paid as presented for a total of \$54,771.18. 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 9:25 PM

Respectfully submitted, Roberta Buczkowski, Secretary