

OTTO FIRE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
APRIL 9, 2019

Attending:	Kim Dickinson	2020	
	Don Girod	2019	Allison Girod, Secretary/Treasurer
	Ron Neal	2023	Tony Riehle, Chief
	Stew Ritchie	2021	Paul Stang, OVFD President
	Don Sinn	2022	

1. Meeting opened at 7:45 pm by Don Girod.
2. Motion to approve the March 2019 minutes: made by DonS, seconded by DonG, approved.
3. Treasurer's report:

	Balance	Interest Rate
CCB checking - #1710057912	\$9,801.05	0.10%
CCB savings – Savings #1720049483	\$46,137.21	0.20%
CCB savings – Contingency #1720049505	\$61,068.66	0.20%
CCB savings – Air Tanks #1720052999	\$5,676.03	0.20%
CCB savings – Reserve #1720049513	\$15,828.16	0.20%
CCB Reserve CD #300000241	\$65,990.44	3.0%, matures 8/1/2021
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$204,501.55</b>	

Income since last meeting: .interest on bank accounts - \$51.00  
 Transfers since last meeting: from Savings to checking - \$8,000.00 to pay bills.  
 Wrote and sent a new check (#1731) for \$85 to Association of Fire Districts to replace uncashed check #1707 from December.

Bills paid since last meeting:

Ck #	Payment information	Amount
1727	Ron Neal – mileage to Commissioner training – 20 miles @ .545	\$10.90
1723	Verizon Wireless	\$14.31
1724	National Fuel (estimated)	\$172.13
1725	Eagle Radio – reprogramming the mobile for Skeeter's truck	\$50.00
1726	Joe Pocobello – expenses from Bath training 2/25	\$203.68
1728	Catt County DPW – Master Switch Otto7 (installed by Paul)	\$38.86
1729	Smith Fire Service – breathing air compressor filters and installation	\$447.10
1730	Anthony Riehle – travel expenses to Bath and Mayville	\$355.52

Bills to pay

1732	CCB – payment and interest for loan on Otto8	\$5,406.25
	Verizon Wireless	\$13.30
	National Fuel	\$266.50
	Don Girod (halogen light bulbs for Otto7)	\$39.98
	E-one (revolution intake valve for Otto1, wheel chocks for Otto7)	\$2,159.58
	White's Appliance – washing machine for turnout gear	\$899.00
	Don Girod – printing of sexual harassment policy copies	\$43.50
	<b>Total</b>	

The current bills were checked by all Commissioners. The reconciled March checking account statement, check images and paid bills were viewed by all Commissioners. Motion to approve the treasurer's report and pay the bills; made by Kim, seconded by Stew, approved.

### Old Business

4. The sexual harassment policy has been approved by the fire department. Printed copies were distributed to the Commissioners and copies will be distributed to all fire department members, first at the next meeting and then by mail. For the training part the 10 members who attended OSHA training on March 16 are done for the year. Everyone else needs to get trained by October. It was agreed to do a training session at 7:00pm on June 11 before the June Commissioners meeting. Persons who cannot come to this training will be contacted and another date and time will be set up over the summer.

### New Business

5. Membership applications: Motion to approve Susan Hamilton as an associate member and Dale Bowles as an active member, made by DonS, seconded by Kim, approved subject to arson and sex offender background checks by the county. Sue worked at last breakfast. Dale is a former EMT and is interested in both EMS and fire.

6. Chief's report – Tony Riehle

- The chiefs have discussed asking for a turbo draft (about \$3500) . They may submit this as a DEC proposal.
- Tony has started updating the files and personnel data. He is talking with members about the implementation of firefighter best practices.
- Turnout gear has started to come in for cleaning, inspection and generally storage on Otto7. On a case by case basis fire personnel will be keeping their own gear.
- The executive committee and chiefs have started to review and update the SOGs. The bylaws of the department also need to be updated.
- BBQ weekend will have a recruitment event planned by Matt Dickinson. There will be opportunities for squirting water, games and possibly they will burn something.
- Tony and Ethan Stang are both interested in attending the NYSAFE Expo in Syracuse in June. There may be others.
- There is a need for a flat screen TV in the meeting room for training.
- Tony questioned why the district requires a driver to be over 21 in addition to having EVOC in order to drive a district truck. There is a member younger than 21 with a CDL who could be a driver otherwise. Allison will check with the insurance company.
- NFIRS (NY state incident reporting) will finally accept data from lamResponding. lamResponding has sent information about how to implement this, but the current system (RedEntry) will be kept until that is up and running. The bill for the annual license fee for RedEntry has not been received yet, but should be coming soon.

7. Paul Stang reminded everyone that the Installation Banquet is May 4 at the American Legion in Little Valley. Appetizers start at 6:00pm, dinner at 7:00pm.

Paul has spoken to Mary Malek about the burned out neighboring property. She has sentimental feelings about it and does not want to sell it at present. Paul will continue the conversation.