

The York Area United Fire and Rescue Commission held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 17, 2009 at 7 p.m. at the Springettsbury Township Offices located at 1501 Mt. Zion Road, York, PA.

MEMBERS IN

ATTENDANCE: Bill Schenck, Chairman
Austin Hunt, Vice Chairman
John Fullmer, Secretary/Treasurer, Spring Garden Member
Thomas Warman, Spring Garden Commission Member
George Dvoryak, Springettsbury Commission Alternate

MEMBERS NOT

IN ATTENDANCE: Richard Guyer, Spring Garden Commission Alternate
Don Bishop, Springettsbury Commission Member

ALSO IN

ATTENDANCE: Brooke Say, Acting Solicitor
Bob McCoy, Chief YAUFRR
Barry Emig, Deputy Chief YAUFRR
Scott Curtis, Grantley Merger Committee
Jean Abrecht, Stenographer

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Opening Ceremony

1. Pledge of Allegiance

SCHENCK Chairman Schenck called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. He announced that Mr. Dvoryak will be alternate for Don Bishop, who was unable to be present. He indicated that a Quorum was present with five members. He led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

SCHENCK Chairman Schenck stated that an Executive Session was held following the February meeting to discuss the pending labor contract with the firefighters' union. A Executive Session will be held following the meeting this date for the same discussion.

3. COMMUNICATION FROM CITIZENS

There were no citizen comments.

4. MANAGEMENT/ATTORNEY REPORTS

A. Steve Hovis, Solicitor

SAY Acting Solicitor Brooke Say stated that she had no report from Attorney Hovis, who was unable to be present.

B. Robert McCoy, Fire Chief – YAUFRR

SCHENCK Chairman Schenck thanked Chief McCoy for his very thorough written report and asked if there was anything to add or discuss.

MCCOY Chief McCoy responded that he had nothing to add.

HUNT Mr. Hunt questioned the loan for the two pumpers and the fact that there was a nine-month waiting list.

MCCOY Chief McCoy responded that he had spoken with Barbara Stair in the administrative office. An application for loan cannot be made until there is a signed contract and specifications for the pumper. However, Ms. Stair indicated the application should be made immediately due to a nine-month waiting list.

HUNT Mr. Hunt asked how it would apply on a fiscal-year basis, due to the nine-month waiting list.

MCCOY Chief McCoy responded that there had been no discussion with Ms. Stair as far as fiscal year or budget. She had given no guarantees as far as timing was concerned.

HUNT Mr. Hunt asked whether the project would come back before the Commission for an approval on a single or two-pumper purchase.

MCCOY Chief McCoy responded that the Committee was told to design the fire truck. It calls for a single or dual purchase and when the number is reasonable, it will be presented to the Commission with funding possibilities and whether it would be advantageous to buy two at one time or just a single purchase.

HUNT Mr. Hunt asked how long the specification process would take and when he thought that decision would come back to the Commission.

MCCOY Chief McCoy responded that he would like to discuss this prior to initial budget discussions in June or July. The committee has begun making decisions as far as the selection of companies and they currently are actually doing design features.

5. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A. Payable Listing as of February 28, 2009

SCHENCK Chairman Schenck reported that Chief McCoy used part of the recruitment and retention budget to pay for the legal fees to get the volunteer side of the

organization funded with \$1200. Chairman Schenck indicated he thought it was a great use of that money. He asked about the line item budget amount.

MCCOY Chief McCoy responded that the recruitment and retention budget amounted to \$12,000; it was about 2% of the budget.

MR. WARMAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE PAYABLES. MR. HUNT WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

6. BIDS, PROPOSALS & CONTRACTS

There were no bids, proposals or contracts for discussion.

SCHENCK Chairman Schenck asked Les Adams if he had any comments.

ADAMS Mr. Adams stated that he understood that there should be a priority on the fire station location component of his work, in view of the fact that there may be some federal funding money and it is important to be ready in the event that that is available. He reported that he will move that project up in priority to accomplish that sooner than it would have been done otherwise.

7. COMMUNICATION FROM COMMISSIONERS

There were no Commissioner comments.

8. SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Budget Subcommittee

FULLMER Mr. Fullmer stated that he had nothing to report from the Budget Subcommittee.

B. Negotiation Subcommittee

FULLMER Mr. Fullmer reported that a report on negotiations will be given during the Executive Session.

C. Volunteer Subcommittee

SCHENCK Chairman Schenck reported that Don Eckert advised he would be unable to attend the meeting this date. However, the York Area United Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department is officially chartered as a Pennsylvania Corporation. They are in the process of getting things coordinated with the police chiefs, etc. They will launch off with the fire police activities.

CURTIS Scott Curtis stated that he had received an email this afternoon advising of the payment of the attorney fees. He thanked the Commission and Chief McCoy. They are waiting to get information for corporate tax status and are hoping to set

up a meeting sometime in the relatively near future with regard to the new organization.

SCHENCK Chairman Schenck indicated he understood that the patches had been ordered.

MCCOY Chief McCoy responded he expected them to be received very soon.

9. RESOLUTIONS AND AGREEMENTS

There were no resolutions or agreements for action.

10. ACTION ON MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes: February 17, 2009 Commission Meeting

MR. WARMAN MOVED TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 17, 2009 COMMISSION MEETING. MR. FULLMER WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

11. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business for discussion.

12. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business for discussion.

13. ADJOURNMENT

SCHENCK Chairman Schenck adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Fullmer, Secretary

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