

**YORK AREA UNITED FIRE AND RESCUE COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 17, 2019  
APPROVED**

The York Area United Fire and Rescue Commission held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at 7:10 p.m. at YAUFR Headquarters, 50 Commons Drive, York, PA 17402.

**MEMBERS IN**

**ATTENDANCE:** Austin Hunt, Chairman  
Justin Tomevi, Vice Chairman  
George Dvoryak, Treasurer  
Dave Brosend, Manchester Township  
Lisa Wingert, Manchester Township  
Cara Beth Zortman, Spring Garden Township  
Dan Rooney, Secretary

**ALSO IN**

**ATTENDANCE:** Dan Hoff, Chief  
Steve Hovis, Solicitor  
John Woods, YAUFR  
Brett Graham, YAUFR  
Jean Abreght, Stenographer

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

A. Opening Ceremony

1. Pledge of Allegiance

**HUNT** Chairman Hunt called the YAUFR Commission meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

**HUNT** Chairman Hunt announced that an Executive Session was held following the August meeting to discuss personnel matters. No Executive Session was scheduled for this date.

**3. COMMUNICATION FROM CITIZENS**

There were no citizen comments.

**4. MANAGEMENT/ATTORNEY REPORTS**

A. Steve Hovis, Solicitor

**HOVIS** Solicitor Hovis had nothing to report and no action items.

- HUNT** Chairman Hunt asked about Solicitor Hovis' project working on release forms for buildings prepared for demolition.
- HOVIS** Solicitor Hovis responded that his staff associate had prepared a draft, which he will present shortly.
- HOFF** Chief Hoff noted that the release forms would be for those times where a contractor or developer offers the use of a building that has been prepared for demolition usable for training purposes. They want to be sure to follow the process the same way each time.
- HOVIS** Solicitor Hovis stated that the release form would provide for not exposing YAUFR to any liability.
- HUNT** Chairman Hunt noted that he was thinking through the liability and unforeseen environmental issues.
- HOVIS** Solicitor Hovis noted that the release is fairly general with a broad scope. Typically an owner is offering a building with an opportunity to go in and rip it up and do whatever they want. YAUFR agrees that if anyone is injured, the liability would be YAUFR's. They are not making any representation of the habitability of the facility. The obligation is to secure the building.
- HOFF** Chief Hoff noted that many of the property owners do a good job of setting their expectations. Many times demolition is scheduled very shortly thereafter.

**B. Daniel Hoff, Fire Chief**

- HUNT** Chairman Hunt stated that Chief Hoff had provided a very good presentation to the Joint Budget meeting. It was thorough and heartfelt.
- HOFF** Chief Hoff thanked him. He had several reminders for the board. He asked for the Commissioners to provide their sizes so that he can begin acquiring proper fitting turnout gear for the function on October 30<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, he reminded them of the Open Houses, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. throughout the three townships for Fire Prevention Week and October 6<sup>th</sup> at headquarters for the Apparatus Dedication.

Chief Hoff reported that in October there will be a Swearing In Ceremony and a Retirement recognition. The Retirement recognition for Firefighter Brehm may be on video or Facebook Live so that his daughter can see her father being recognized. She is a Sergeant in the U. S. Air Force stationed in Missouri.

**5. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

**A. Payable Listing as of August 31, 2019**

**MS. WINGER MOVED TO APPROVE THE PAYABLES. MR. TOMEVI WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

**6. BIDS, PROPOSALS & CONTRACTS**

There were none for action.

**7. COMMUNICATION FROM COMMISSIONERS**

**ROONEY** Mr. Rooney thanked Chief Hoff for providing more detailed data for a better understanding of Mutual Aid. He stated it was very helpful, and he appreciated the effort.

**8. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Volunteer Committee**

**HOFF** Chief Hoff reported that their Volunteer Committee representative could not be present this date due to another special meeting held at the Grantley Fire Company. They had nothing to report other than that the next Combined Volunteer Meeting will be held September 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at Victory Fire Company. He noted they would likely have something to report during the October meeting.

**HUNT** Chairman Hunt questioned whether there would be anything formal at the Open House for the new storage building/training tower.

**HOFF** Chief Hoff responded that the volunteers are discussing it. Since Don Eckert had been the lead on that project, they might put a plaque on it and dedicate it to Don. They are working on that. Chief Hoff suggested if the Commissioners had an opportunity to drive by and check it out as it is much more than what he and Don Eckert had discussed in concept.

**9. RESOLUTIONS AND AGREEMENTS**

There were none for action.

**10. ACTION ON MINUTES**

- A. Approval of Minutes: August 6, 2019 – 2020 Budget Workshop
- B. Approval of Minutes: August 20, 2019 – Fire Commission Meeting

**MR. ROONEY MOVED FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES. MS. WINGERT WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

**11. OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business.

**12. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Acknowledgment – 2020 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) Calculations for the YAUFR/MT Pension Plans

**MR. DVORYAK MOVED TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT. MS. ZORTMAN WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

- B. Pumper Sale

**HOFF** Chief Hoff stated that the 2003 E-One Pumper was taken out of service and remains up for sale. The original listing was for \$45,000, for which there was no interest. They dropped the price to \$40,000, and within the last few weeks, they were contacted by a department from Bloomsburg, PA. The Beaver Township Volunteer Fire Company came and looked over the apparatus, took it for a test drive and went over it from top to bottom. They sent a written offer for \$30,000 for the apparatus. It has a number of maintenance issues that were fully disclosed to them, and because of that work they will need to do, they offered \$30,000.

**HUNT** Chairman Hunt asked if there was any interest at \$40,000.

**HOFF** Chief Hoff responded that there had been no other offers and recommended to sell it to the Beaver Township Company.

**BROSEND** Mr. Brosend asked how old it is.

**HOFF** Chief Hoff responded that it is a 2003 and is 16 years old.

**MR. TOMEVI MOVED TO PROVIDE AUTHORITY TO THE CHIEF TO ACCEPT THE OFFER OF \$30,000 AND AT HIS DISCRETION TRY TO DO A COUNTER OFFER TO REACH A HIGHER NUMBER. MS. WINGERT WAS SECOND. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

**HOFF** Chief Hoff added that the ladder truck will be on the market shortly as soon as it is repaired.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**HUNT** Chairman Hunt adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Signature on file at YAUFR Headquarters*

Dan Rooney, Secretary

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