



## **RIDGE ROAD FIRE DISTRICT Commission's Monthly Board Minutes 11/21/2022**

**Present:** Eric Stoerger, Commissioner / Chairman  
Kenneth D. Bowers, Commissioner / Secretary  
Tom Richardson, Commissioner  
John Hayes, Commissioner  
Dave Messbauer, Commissioner

Steve Johnson, Chief  
Sean McGarry, Deputy Chief  
Richard Friscano, District Treasurer

**Absent:** Cheryl Garofalo, District Administrator / Deputy District Treasurer

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:44 PM by Chairman Stoerger

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

No members of the public were present. We had Shawn Wilder, a member from the district in attendance.

### **PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES**

The Board Minutes from October 18th 2022 were sent, and all updates have been incorporated. **Commissioners Messbauer and Richardson moved that the minutes be approved. Motion unanimously carried.**

### **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

In the absence of Administrator Garofalo, Treasurer Friscano presented the General Abstract of audited claims for the period up to November 21st, 2022 for review and approval for payment. The total claims were \$2,260,406.01. Commissioner Stoerger represented the Board at the bill review. Significant payments included (\$6,700.00) to Bergmann Assoc for Prof Services on the Stoneridge Project, (155,750.00) to Depository Trust for Principle and Int on Serial Bonds, (\$4,003.26) to Municipal Emergency Services for Gear, and Boot shelf, (\$19,104.36) to NYSIF Worker's Compensation for policy premium, (\$1,878,213.00) to NYS & Local Retirement system., (\$4,500.00) to RRFD Retirees reimbursement for Medicare Part B, (\$10,365.35) to

Utica National Insurance for our Commercial and Auto Insurance, (\$145,253.71) for our Health and Life Insurance Plans.

After a short discussion the Board moved as follows.

**Commissioners Bowers and Messbauer moved to approve the abstract for payment.**

**Motion unanimously carried.** {See Attachment A }

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Frisicano presented the Financial Report for the month which included the Account balances report as of October 31st, 2022 for a total \$9,204,057.04 and CD Summary as of 11/18/2022. Cash Receipts report as of 9/30/2022, total \$30,456.59 Profit and Loss Actual vs. Budget as of October 31st, 2022.

There were no donations for the month

Rick recommends that we reinvest:

\$500,000.00 General Account #6180 for 28 day term @ 3.35%

\$3,217,236.36 + Interest URUA #6155 for 37 day term @ 3.35%

\$363,255.99 + Interest Bond Reserve #6074 for 58 day term @ 3.40%

**Commissioners Stoerger and Richardson moved to allow the Treasurer to follow his plan for reinvestment of our CD's. Motion unanimously carried.** {See Attachment B }

After some discussion, the Board moved as follows:

**Commissioners Messbauer and Hayes moved to accept the Treasurer's report for the month. Motion unanimously carried.** {See Attachment B }

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE**

**We received some items that will be filed with the notes:**

- Auditor letters from the Treasurer for the records
- Note from Chief on the Old Well Rd fire
- Note from Lt. Balok on Flu shots
- Not from DC on the Healthcare worker's bonuses
- Letter from Chief on the passing of Roger Staub
- Note from Treasurer with Tax Cap Review

**The following will be attachments with the notes**

- Legal Notice of Elections and Proof of RBJ publishing {See Attachment - C }
- Letter from AFDSNY President asking for Utility bill information {See Attachment - D }
- Travel for training report {See Attachment - E }
- Note from Chair on the letters for BC Quill and Captain Williams {See Attachment - F }
- District Summary Report for November {See Attachment - G }
- RRFD Vehicle status report {See Attachment - H }

## **CHIEF'S REPORT**

We have one FF out. (Non work related)

We have one BC going out for surgery (Non work related) expected to be out through Feb 2023.

**All of our recruits have graduated and have been assigned to groups.**

We have an open Lieut position and would like board approval to make Jason Borrelli a permanent Lieutenant from his Temporary position.

FF Malafeew announced his intent to retire as of November 30th. That leaves a FF position open. The Chief and Deputy have a few resumes that they would like to look over.

We had surplused 5 AED's last month. Three of them went to the Boy Scouts, One went to the Avon Youth Little League, and the last was sold at the price we were to get as a trade-in, to a local Gym. All went as is!

The Chief recommends that we surplus the 2016 Chevy Impala.

The Chief recognized BC Quill and Capt Williams for their work with the latest academy.

Group 3 did a good job with the incident at the old distillery.

Group 4 had a working garage fire on Long Pond rd. Performed a nice stop on the fire.

The Chief did a presentation on FF Staffing. Crew staffing is at 17, We meet that until vacations are taken. He would like to increase the minimum from 9 to 10 FF. This is not an increase in FF's but a decrease in allowable vacations before overtime. Right now the contract states they are allowed 3 off on a group, this would change to 2 off on a group. This would require a MOU which will be reviewed by our lawyer before being signed by the Union and Chairman.

**Motion made by Commissioners Stoerger and Messbauer to promote Jason Borrelli from his temporary Lieut position to permanent Lieut. effective November 24th. Motion unanimously carried.**

**Notice of Resolution**

The Following resolution was presented to the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Ridge Road Fire district on November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, subject to a majority vote of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

**Resolution to Dispose of 2016 Chevrolet Impala Limited**

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners may at any time sell or otherwise dispose of real and personal property of the district no longer necessary for any of its uses or purposes provided the real or personal property is valued at less than twenty thousand dollars, if, when and in the manner and to the extent authorized so to do in a resolution which shall be subject to a majority vote of the Board of Fire Commissioners governed in the manner provided in General Municipal Law § 6-g(4) ; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 176(23) of the Town Law, the Ridge Road Fire District is authorized to dispose and sell said property of the Ridge Road Fire District subject to the requirements of Town Law and said vehicle will be sold or otherwise disposed of in a manner to achieve the best possible value for such vehicle.

**NOW BE IT RESOLVED THAT**

1. The Ridge Road Fire District, Town of Greece, County of Monroe, State of New York does hereby declare that it's 2016 Chevrolet Impala, Vin #2G1WA5E3OG1164573, owned by the Ridge Road Fire District, is surplus and no longer necessary or useful for the purposes of the Ridge Road Fire District; and
2. The Board of Fire Commissioners in of the opinion that this vehicle has value less than \$20,000, which in accordance with Town Law requires the sale and disposition be subject only to a majority vote of the Board of Fire Commissioners; and
3. The Ridge Road Fire District is authorized to dispose and sell said vehicle of the Ridge Road Fire District subject to the requirements of Town Law and said vehicle will be sold or otherwise disposed of in a manner to achieve the best possible value for such vehicle.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Eric Stoerger, Chairman YES  
Commissioner Kenneth Bowers YES  
Commissioner Dave Messbauer YES  
Commissioner Tom Richardson YES  
Commissioner John Hayes YES

The resolution was thereupon duly declared to have been adopted.

Kenneth D. Bowers, Secretary  
Ridge Road Fire District  
Greece, New York Dated: November 21, 2022

{See Attachment - I}

## **DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT**

The Deputy Chief brought the board up to date on the Health Care workers bonus from the state. There has been a lot of discussion around who is eligible. The state lawyer has given his opinion on the bill as it sits. Commissioner Bowers also explained what communication was offered today.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The Chairman updated the board on the Stoneridge project using Bergmann after the Chief had reached out to other districts that used Bergmann. Chairman to contact Kushman on what's next.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Travel for Training in Nov/Dec. **Motion to approve the training, Commissioner Stoerger, 2nd Commissioner Messbauer, unanimously carried.**

{See Attachment - E}

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Thanksgiving November 24th.**
- **Next Board Meeting December 13th 18:30 hrs. Elections night**

## **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**Commissioners Stoerger and Messbauer moved to adjourn at 19:45. Motion carried.**

**Respectfully,**



**Kenneth D Bowers, Secretary**

### **Addenda:**

- A. November 21st Abstract of claims
- B. Financial Report incl CIP P&L
- C. Legal Notice of Elections and Proof of RBJ publishing
- D. Letter from AFDSNY President asking for Utility bill information
- E. Travel for training report
- F. Note from Chair on the letters for BC Quill and Captain Williams
- G. District Summary Report for November
- H. RRFD Vehicle status report
- I. Resolution # 2022-11-1