

**BOARD OF ENGINEERS
OF
WESTERLY FIRE DISTRICT
180 BEACH ST.
WESTERLY, RI 02891
MARCH 22, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by Chief Mackay at 7:00 pm. All members were present. Also present were Westerly Fire Police Captain Shane Tallardy, Cyclone Steam Fire Engine Co. # 2 Foreman Sam Homsy, and candidate for membership Justin Izzi.

Motion made by Asst. Chief Trebisacci, seconded by Asst. Chief Morrone to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2016 meeting. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Motion made by Asst. Chief Trebisacci, seconded by Asst. Chief Morrone to pay the bills of the evening. Asst. Chief Fusaro asked about the Thavanet bill for aluminum pieces. Chief Mackay stated they were for the Special Hazards vehicle. No further discussion.

Motion passed unanimously, 4-0. The following bills were paid:

Piela Electric, Inc. 402 284.94

Unifirst 402 46.54

Chase 403 2.99

Cox Business 403 61.28

Verizon 403 66.12

Verizon 403 63.87

Verizon 403 331.03
Home Depot 603 40.32
CyberComm Inc. 702 200.00
Chase 802 100.00
Chase 900 622.76
FCOARI-Chief Mackay-D. McGouran 900 50.00
Beacon Mutual Insurance Co. 1000 7,844.00
Ocean State Safety LLC 1202 3,355.00
Thavenet Machine Co. 1204 30.00
FedEx 1500 31.31
Chase 1700 341.23
Cox Business 1700 29.04
Ready Refresh 1800 8.67
Paul Cornelius 2500 20.00
Ryder 2500 745.65
Sam Homsy 2500 8.00
Chase 2700 51.78
Chase 3300 204.42
Home Depot 3300 61.93
Ocean State Safety LLC 9400 247.00

Foreman Homsy presented candidate for membership Justin Izzi. He reported the physical and criminal background check would be available soon. The Board discussed its expectations with the new candidate. Motion made by Asst. Chief Morrone, seconded by Asst.

Chief Fusaro to approve the candidate. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0. Candidate Izzì left the meeting.

Foreman Homsì remained to discuss the distribution of flashlights to the list he provided the Board of Engineers. Lengthy discussion followed. Motion made by Asst. Chief Fusaro, seconded by Asst. Chief Morrone that Foreman Homsì distribute the flashlights to the all but five members on the list provided and that these members be given an opportunity to increase their attendance in order to receive their lights once the Cyclone Steam Fire Engine Co. # 2 provided the Board with a recommendation of such. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Foreman Homsì discussed the purchase of Ten Year Badges. He was requesting five be purchased. The Board approved the purchase but asked Foreman Homsì to check with other companies to see if they needed to purchase any. If so we would most likely realize a cost savings with a larger purchase. If none were needed he could order the five required. Foreman Homsì left the meeting.

Captain Tallardy addressed the Board regarding radios in need of programming. He asked Chief Mackay if this could be done to include the frequencies of Ashaway, Dunn's Corners, and Watch Hill Fire Departments' fire police frequencies. He also asked if the three officers to have the ability to talk to the Board on the main frequency.

Captain Tallardy requested the procedure for purchases of refreshments at McQuade's Market. He was informed to have the slip signed legibly and fire police meeting written on the slip for tracking purposes.

Captain Tallardy inquired about the purchase of Past Captain's badges. The Board had no objection. They asked he get together with Foreman Homsy and other companies.

Captain Tallardy discussed the remaining funds of the Westerly Fire Police.

Captain Tallardy reported the return to active status of Fire Policeman Richard St. Sauveur.

Captain Tallardy discussed the need to repair some of the department issued flashlights. Captain Tallardy left the meeting.

Asst. Chief Trebisacci requested the Board develop a long range plan for improvements to Stations 1 and 2. He mentioned the further research into the purchasing of the property at 176 Beach St. Asst. Chief Fusaro requested the Board of Engineers look to replacing the boiler at Station 1. It is the original boiler installed in 1928. With the issues we had with it over this winter it should be replaced if funds are available in this budget. Asst. Chief Morrone mentioned the epoxying of the floor at Station 1 as projects to also complete. Chief

Mackay mentioned the roof. Chief Mackay would investigate the cost of the floor and boiler for completion this budget cycle. Chief Mackay would also check to see if there was not enough money to accomplish both projects to see if capital funds could be used to purchase air packs.

Asst. Chief Trebisacci discussed his research of life vests. Motion made by Asst. Chief Fusaro to accept the recommendation of Asst. Chief Trebisacci to purchase four vests at a cost of \$200.00 each with Chief Mackay to determine sizes, seconded by Asst. Chief Morrone. Motion passed unanimously.

Asst. Chief Fusaro reported on extrication training in April and May. He also reminded the Board of Decon training on March 31.

Asst. Chief Fusaro stated he would conduct the final in service on the new air packs tomorrow evening. He would like to put them in service by April 1 provided the mask order is in by then. Chief Mackay stated Engine 4 would be converted first. Asst. Chief Fusaro recommended those air packs being converted be used to replace the driver's packs.

Asst. Chief Morrone reported Old Timers' Night would be Friday April 29th at the Bocce Club.

Asst. Chief Morrone reported Ladies Night would be Saturday April

16th at the Calabrese Club.

Asst. Chief Morrone reported a meeting would be held with future driver trainees would be Wednesday March 23rd before the in service with the new air packs.

Asst. Chief Morrone requested that a Hydra Ram be placed on Engine 4. He believed there was one on Engine 1 or 2.

Chief Mackay reported he had received a price of \$2500.00 for purchase of a Physio-Control automated external defibrillator using the Westerly Ambulance Corps pricing. Dr. Adam Kaufman was researching a second price. This unit would be placed on Special Hazards.

Chief Mackay reported SVI would send materials to Printing Plus to fix the striping. They would only pay for the one side to be fixed.

Money Collected by the district:

Plan Review-residential	50.00
Business Inspections	75.00
Smoke Inspections	390.00

Agenda for the next meeting

Approval of the Minutes of the March 22, 2016 meeting

Bills for the evening

Any Business properly brought before the Board

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

2nd Assistant Chief Joseph Fusaro