

VILLAGE OF SCOTTSVILLE  
**FIRE COMMISSION MEETING**  
 Tuesday, February 10, 2015- 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Gee called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

**Present:** Mayor Paul Gee, Trustee Rick Clark and Trustee Alex Ronnenberg

**Absent:** Deputy Mayor Wagar, Trustee Jim Clark, Attorney Peter Skivington, Scottsville Fire Chief Jeff Brown

**Also present:** Scottsville EMS Chief Matt Jarrett, Executive Deputy Chief of Compliance and Safety Jay Coates, Scottsville Assistant Fire Chief Brian Ely, Captain Mike Connelie, Carole Brown, Village Clerk Lee Mikewicz, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Juliann Green (late arrival), DPW Superintendent Steve Farrell (late arrival) and Code Enforcement Officer Terry Rech (late arrival)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tuesday, January 13, 2015

**MOTION:** made by Trustee Ronnenberg and seconded by Trustee R. Clark to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, January 13, 2015 Fire Commissioners meeting as submitted.

**VOTE:** Carried 3-0

Trustee Jim Clark	ABSENT	Deputy Mayor Leslie Wagar - ABSENT
Trustee Rick Clark	AYE	Trustee Alex Ronnenberg - AYE
Mayor Paul Gee	AYE	

NEW MEMBERS

**MOTION:** made by Trustee R. Clark and seconded by Trustee Ronnenberg to approve the membership of Mike Wagner in the Scottsville Fire Department.

**VOTE:** Carried 3-0

Trustee Jim Clark	ABSENT	Deputy Mayor Leslie Wagar - ABSENT
Trustee Rick Clark	AYE	Trustee Alex Ronnenberg - AYE
Mayor Paul Gee	AYE	

**MOTION:** made by Trustee Ronnenberg and seconded by Trustee R. Clark to approve the membership of Steve Ely, Dave Boccacino and Steve Wagner in the Scottsville Fire Department pending a satisfactory physical.

**VOTE:** Carried 3-0

Trustee Jim Clark	ABSENT	Deputy Mayor Leslie Wagar - ABSENT
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Trustee Rick Clark  
Mayor Paul Gee

AYE  
AYE

Trustee Alex Ronnenberg - AYE

PUBLIC BEFORE THE BOARD - None

REPORTS:

A) FIRE CHIEF JEFF BROWN (absent, report given by Assistant Chief Brian Ely)

Monthly Briefing:

- Call/Activity summary for January
- Looking into Snap Fitness to work with the fire company to provide a fitness program.
- House Fire on Scottsville Road. A great job was done by all and the house was saved. Compliments have been coming in from other companies. The Scottsville crew even made a national magazine, Fire Engineering, for their work.
- Larger area garbage cans on fire with fencing on Robert Quigley Drive.
- Fire at town highway garage in the trusses.
- POL 13 (Respiratory Protection ) needs approval tonight; please read over. Mayor Gee felt that since it was policy and the Board was missing two members, he wanted to wait for a fuller Board to adopt the policy. This could be done at one of the budget meetings or at next month's Fire Commissioners' meeting.
- OSHA and PESH is going well thanks to Jay Coates.

Upcoming Events: P.E.S.H Training will be held in January and February. Hoping the new Respiratory Protection policy can take effect in March.

B) EMS CHIEF MATT JARRETT

- Requesting membership approval for three new applicants: Jon Fernando (EMS only), Steven Wagner (Fire and EMS) and Michael Wagner (Fire and EMS). All are pending the results of a physical.
- The new John Deere Gator has been ordered. The old unit will be used as a trade-in. It should arrive in 2-4 weeks and will need another 4-6 weeks for upfitting and modifications before it is usable.
- There has been no reply from MedEx on the new contract terms. There are some concerns over MedEx for the past six months. It may be time to look for a new vendor. We haven't had any issues with our work getting done, but with partial new ownership of the company, there appears to be some issues which are beginning to take the company onto a "death spiral." Chief Jarrett will reach out to a couple other vendors for proposals to do the billing that MedEx is currently doing. He will keep the Board informed of his progress.
- James Chamot and Michael Melito were removed from the EMS roles at the end of last year. They are still in possession of company equipment. So far, all attempts have failed in getting our equipment back. Letters have been sent. Mr. Chamot has until February 18<sup>th</sup> before the department will contact the Monroe County Sheriff's Office to assist in procuring the items. Letters have been returned "undelivered" for Mr. Melito. He is believed to be in the Buffalo area, but no one has been able to locate him so far. Mr. Melito also has some Fire Department turnout gear that needs to be returned.
- The problem patient from 724 North Road has been moved to the Adirondack region. We expect that she will return to the general area in the future. We are hoping that it will not be in Scottsville.

C) EXECUTIVE DEPUTY CHIEF OF COMPLIANCE AND SAFETY  
JAY COATES

- We have been working on OSHA compliance for the last month and a half. All the members were reviewed for compliance last year and there were no issues. New members are scheduled for the minimum training needed to stay active.
- We received some compliments from other agencies for the way the Scottsville Road fire was handled.

Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Juliann Green arrived at 6:20 PM.

- Mr. Coates handed out the highlights from the new Village phone system proposal. It would replace the current phone system using Frontier telephone lines with a Digital Voice Communication, cable-based phone system (ViOP) using cable from Time Warner. Mr. Coates went into detail about what was included in the quote for \$23,062.24. This would result in a leap of technology of probably two generations. The cost would be split \$10,401 for the Town of Wheatland and \$12,662 for the Village. Mr. Coates asked the Board to approve the purchase. Mayor Gee said that the Treasurer/Deputy Clerk would have to review the present budget to see if we are able to make the purchase. There is some value in the old hardware that would have to be determined. This is a State Bid vendor so no other quotes are needed. We have to wait and see that the Town will approve their share of the costs before the Village can move forward. Mayor Gee said that the Village may have to allocate the funds in next year's budget.

DPW Superintendent Steve Farrell arrived at 6:30 PM.

The motion for the phone system will need to be made in the Village Board Meeting.

Ms. Green raised a question related to buried fire hydrants. The Village Office has been getting requests for help from homeowners who are asking to have their hydrants dug out. The most recent e-mail was from 250 Briarwood Lane. Captain Connelie said that it was the homeowner's responsibility to keep the hydrants accessible. Mayor Gee asked that the information be passed to Chief Brown.

Code Enforcement Officer Terry Rech arrived at 6:37 PM.

DPW Superintendent Farrell will coordinate with Chief Brown if equipment is needed to uncover hydrants.

D) PRESIDENT FIRE COMPANY – FRANK WUNDER (absent – No Report)

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** made by Trustee Ronnenberg and seconded by Trustee R. Clark to adjourn the Fire Commissioners Meeting at 6:41 PM.

**VOTE:** Carried 3-0

Trustee Jim Clark  
Trustee Rick Clark  
Mayor Paul Gee

ABSENT  
AYE  
AYE

Deputy Mayor Leslie Wagar - ABSENT  
Trustee Alex Ronnenberg - AYE

Respectfully submitted by,

*Lee Mikewicz*

Village Clerk